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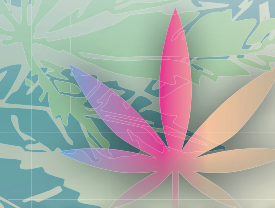
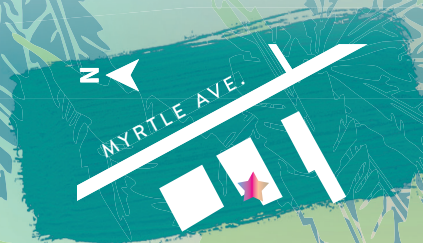
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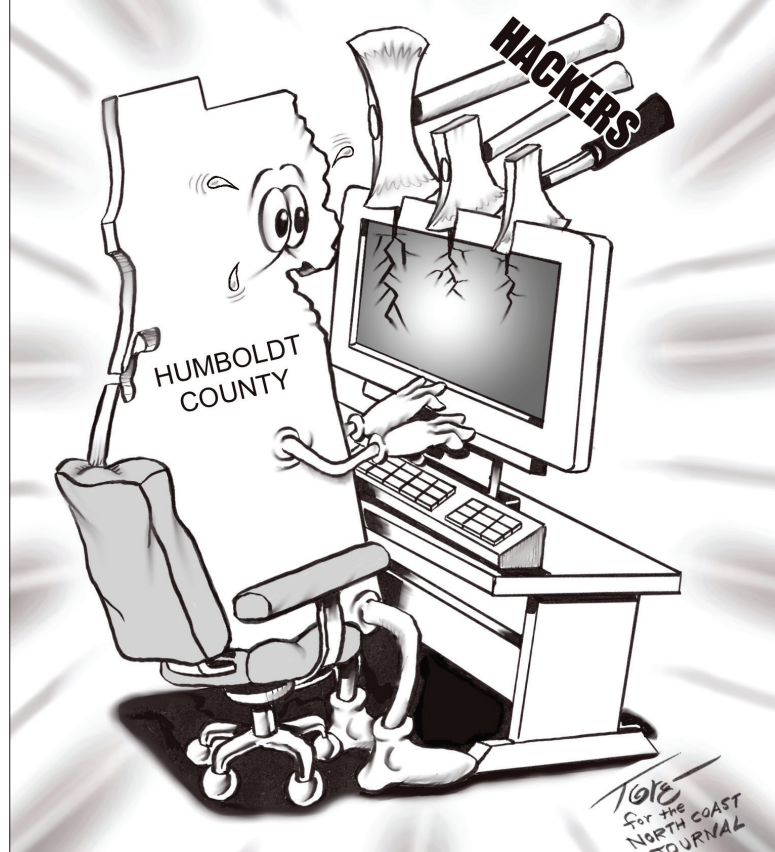
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Cut Out the Middlemen

Editor:

As the recent Views piece on Medicare Advantage (MA) and Direct Contracting Entities (DCEs) clearly illustrates, it is only original Medicare that remains a public good ("Is Medicare a Public Good or a Market Commodity?," March 3). MA and DCEs are already market commodities. Why is it not obvious that simplifying payment for health care by cutting out the middlemen saves money and saves lives?

The Congressional Budget Office recently released "findings" that wages would go up once employers no longer had to funnel money into private health insurance plans for their employees. Increased wages result in increased income tax, which benefits the government. Households' health insurance premiums would be eliminated, and their out-of-pocket health care costs would go down. Administrative expenses in the healthcare sector of the economy would decline, which would free up productive resources for other sectors and, ultimately, increase productivity. People would be healthier, live longer and work more as their health improved.

Given these benefits, one has to wonder why the Biden administration continues to back the Band-Aid effects of the ACA, underwritten by corporate health insur-

ance companies, without noticing what the Congressional Budget Office has now made crystal clear: Simplifying payment for health care by cutting out middlemen will save money and save lives. Yes, even the Republican-led CBO knows this.

Carol Moné, Trinidad

'The Corporatization of Medicare'

Editor:

The Views piece I wrote with Dr. Corinne Frugoni in last week's NCJ (Is Medicare a public good or a market commodity?), signaled the growing privatization of traditional Medicare by Medicare Advantage programs and DCEs (Direct Contracting Entities). Since writing that piece some weeks ago, the public outcry to HHS (Health and Human Services), CMS (Center for Medicare Services), CMMI (Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation) and Congressional leaders has borne fruit. The DCE program will end and will be replaced by an incomprehensible program dubbed ACO REACH (Realizing Equity Access and Community Health). This "new" program is offering precious little in change beyond its mind-bending acronym.

As Dr. Susan Rogers, an internal medicine physician and president of physicians for a National Health Program, observes, "ACO REACH is Direct Contracting in disguise. ...

This new model doubles down on Direct Contracting's fatal flaws, inserting a profit-seeking middleman between beneficiaries and their providers."

In addition, like DCEs, ACO REACH entices private equity and other Wall Street speculators to invest, allowing these middlemen to keep up to 40 percent of the dollars they don't spend on care, and has the potential to ensnare 30 million Medicare beneficiaries without their knowledge or consent.

And, like the DCEs, this "new" program is moving forward, claiming financial savings and better health outcomes, without Congressional oversight, and without supporting data or evidence but with built-in opportunities to rake in ever greater profits subsidized by taxpayers.

As Dr. Rogers says, "You can't slap a Band-Aide on a tumor and call it cured. ... Direct Contracting — and now ACO REACH — threaten the health of beneficiaries and the future of traditional Medicare."

Again, we must tell our representatives and the federal departments of HHS, CMS and CMMI that we are not deceived by tortured acronyms that attempt to hide the corporatization of Medicare.

Patty Harvey, Arcata

'Profit-driven Greed'

Editor:

This letter is written in response to "Almost Universally Terrible" in the NCJ's March 3 Mailbox. Nourishing food is important for good health.

Seventy percent of one's immune system is located in your GI tract, aka "gut." Because the immune system is intricately related to the gut microbiome, if it is exposed to bacteria-stripping factors like "poor diet" and antibiotics, it will impact one's ability to remain healthy and to heal sickness.

Providence St. Joseph has been traveling the corporate road for many years. The merger of these two corporations has only exacerbated the poor quality that continues to evolve. I watched as productivity charts for nurses began to grace the hallway walls. Nurses and ancillary hospital employees hold informational pickets in front of the hospital when their concerns for staffing and patient safety go unheard and unchanged. Fairly recently, the newest financial savings has come by way of contracting out the food services department to an outside entity.

We all know how much the price of "good, nourishing food" costs these days. But profits over patients impact what patients receive for their meals. Corporate healthcare for profit has resulted in our broken healthcare system, impacting every single department in any hospital. Every nonprofit hospital has a foundation through

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She'd had to leave her graying mother whimpering in the basement, withered hands clutching a worn plaid blanket to her chin. She'd heard there were women learning to shoot, had to do something, not just cower with panic-stricken wives, mothers and children sheltering there in sleeping bags, petrified with every ear-shattering bomb blast. Praying for their sons and husbands.

The battered apartment walls shuddered again—another brutal blast down the street. Tossing back her honey-colored braid, she grabbed the cool neck of another glass bottle, wished again it was the warm, throbbing neck of a Russian invader.

Taking action so alien to her as an artist, she dribbled sugar into the gasoline to make the flames adhere longer, grabbed a funnel, filled the incendiary bottle, yanked a knot into a length of dirty rag, jammed it in the bottle. Stacked the Molotov cocktail in the box with others ready to light, drop from her window down the hatch of a passing Russian tank.

— By Pat McCutcheon

which their profits can be manipulated and hidden. The only way to fix this is to take the profit out of our healthcare system by eliminating the profit-driven greed found in hospital administrations and the health insurance industry.

We have a good system in place now that functions with a 2- to 3-percent overhead cost, rather than the exorbitant administrative salaries and bonuses provided at the expense of patients. The name is Medicare. We need to improve it and provide it to everyone. Everyone needs access to healthcare!

Kathryn Donahue, Blue Lake

'An Attempt to Downplay'

Editor:

Anyone who thinks that Auditor-Controller Karen Paz Dominguez is solely responsible for the county's financial mess should read the 2019 Civil Grand Jury report ("Opportunities for Fraud," March 3). One finding is that there is a "high risk of fraud in a number of county departments due to their poor cash handling policies and procedures, improper accounting and lack of accountability." The report also noted that

the A-C's office was/is severely understaffed.

It is telling that the board of supervisors' response to the CGJ report was to debate the severity of the risk in an attempt to downplay it rather than address the problem early on. Now that the county is being investigated by the State Controller's Office, the predictable response by county officials is to scapegoat Ms. Paz Dominguez while expressing shock that, once again, she is pointing out the problems that have been apparent since at least 2019, if not earlier.

What is most disturbing is the "circling of the wagons" response, as supervisors and department heads blasted Ms. Paz Dominguez, saying they felt "blindsided" by her allegations of mismanagement. Supervisor Bass appeared scandalized as she spoke about this "airing of dirty laundry" — as if there

hadn't been two prior CGJ reports pointing out this mismanagement already.

Treasurer-Tax Collector John Bartholomew accused the A-C of the "poisoning of public perception of county operations and staff." I'm sorry but that's like attempting to close the gate after the horse has already bolted, following the release of two CGJ reports into the county's mismanagement of funds. That "poisoning of public

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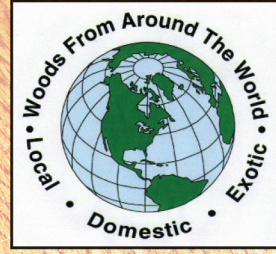


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perception” is already out there, and it’s not Ms. Paz Dominguez’s fault.

I’d just like to remind county officials that their first duty is to be transparent and accountable to the public as this is taxpayer money.

Lisa Pelletier, Arcata

‘Too Late’

Editor:

Gas Prices have soared in recent weeks and seem poised to go even higher. Locals are screaming bloody murder, as we have some of the highest prices in the entire U.S. I’ve seen speculation in print here and elsewhere that in order to mitigate global warming, gas prices will have to at least double. Can you imagine \$10 or more per gallon? Unfortunately for those that must drive, that could force many into poverty. Given the reaction to gas going up a buck or two, I’m afraid that is going to be a steep climb to get the necessary public support for that level of price increase.

Now some may point to the overwhelmingly successful efforts to vaccinate a high percentage of people against the pandemic. “Their life depends on it, just like the climate crisis and people will cooperate once they know the stakes” ... says no one. Despite the best of intentions, I do not see the ocean liner turning in time to avoid hitting the iceberg of climate change. Scientists say disastrous change is already baked in and avoiding the more pernicious effects may already be too late (“The Top 10 Stories of 2021,” Dec. 30). Please don’t shoot the messenger, but do grab your water wings.

John Dillon, Eureka

‘Vital’

Editor:

Working as an administrative officer for Eureka Natural Foods, I have always supported sustainable fishing practices and our local fishing fleet, where more than 200 commercial vessels list Eureka, California as their home port.

In 1989, the global fishing industry hit a high point when approximately 90 million metric tons of fish were taken from the ocean. Fishing yields have declined or stagnated ever since. Here in Humboldt County, the commercial salmon season has been closed two years in a row due to low population numbers.

Meanwhile, global seafood consumption has more than doubled in the past 50 years, putting stress on the sustainability of the fishing industry. As the demand for seafood continues to rise, the sustainability of wild fish stocks becomes an ever more pressing issue. Scientists have grimly predicted that if unsustainable fishing rates continue, many of the world’s fisheries will eventually collapse.

In order to relieve pressure on depleted fish populations and help create a sustainable fishing industry, Eureka Natural Foods supports Nordic Aquafarms’ proposal to build a land-based fish farm at the former Samoa pulp mill that would use a mixture of fresh and salt water to raise 27,000 metric tons of Atlantic Salmon. These fish would be raised without the need for excessive antibiotics and untreated waste discharge into the open ocean. Humboldt County has released the draft environmental impact report (EIR) for Nordic Aquafarms’ proposed onshore fish farm and found no areas in which the proposed farm would have a significant impact on the local environment.

Sustainable, safe marine aquaculture is vital for supporting our nation’s seafood production, rebuilding protected species and habitats, and enhancing coastal resilience. Aquaculture is one of the most resource-efficient ways to produce protein. It has helped improve nutrition and food security in many parts of the world. We believe it will be a safe, long-term sustainable environmental strategy and a huge support for our local economy.

Graigory Fillmore, Eureka

‘Little in Return’

Editor:

Nordic Aquafarms wants its fish factory bad. They will need a whole lot of cold, clean water. They will take it and turn it into warm, dirty water — all the while using vast quantities of fossil fuels.

They have no intention of working with us as requested by our local environmental protectors — that is, by using 100-percent renewable energy. Marianne Naess, Nordic’s executive vice president of commercial operations, responds that we need to “make sure the facility is commercially feasible.” Scott Thompson, another Nordic wag, says they want to “reserve the ability to negotiate electric prices.”

Scott Thompson also says “problems can be ironed out enough to get permits in six months.” At least, that’s what he’s telling his boss.

Nordic Aquafarms wants to satisfy their investors for the next 30 years.

We get little in return, while they use up our precious natural resources.

Pamela Markovich, Arcata

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Gov. Gavin Newsom announced the state’s masking mandate for schools and daycare centers will expire March 12. *Shutterstock*

End of School Mask Mandate Looms, Leaving Districts to Decide

By Elizabeth Aguilera

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Toddlers and preschoolers who have mostly known a school life with tiny masks may be in for a big lifestyle change after Friday, when the state mask mandate for kids ends at midnight.

While wearing masks is still strongly recommended, some medical experts worry removing the state mask mandate could be risky, especially for tots.

The change shifts the onus of requiring masking to child care and preschool operators, schools and school districts.

“The wisest thing to do is go from a requirement to strongly recommending (masks) and recognizing that there may be some places where they want to continue masking and that is okay,” said Tomás Aragón, state public health officer and director of the California Department of Public Health. “We are leaving it up to the county, district or schools.”

In Humboldt County — which continues to be designated as an area of “high” COVID-19 transmission risk by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, prompting federal, state and local health officials to continue recommending that everyone continue to mask in all indoor public

spaces — districts have taken different approaches.

The Rio Dell Elementary School Board voted unanimously Feb. 17 to buck the state mandate and adopt a policy prohibiting its schools from pursuing disciplinary actions against students refusing to wear masks on campus, and Ferndale Unified School District notified parents March 8 that masks would be optional on campus beginning March 14. Eureka City Schools made a similar announcement, while the Northern Humboldt High School District and Fortuna Elementary School District boards were slated to take up the issue as the *Journal* went to press March 8. Other districts, including the Arcata School District, however, have opted to continue requiring masks, at least for the time being.

Meanwhile, some of the state’s largest districts have also announced they plan to keep mask mandates in place on their campuses, even in areas with some of the state’s lowest transmission and highest vaccination rates. Los Angeles Unified, San Francisco Unified, South San Francisco Unified and San Diego Unified have all announced they will keep indoor mask

mandates in place indefinitely.

Aragón told *CalMatters* that March 11 was selected because, by then, state officials project that infections will have declined even more. It also gives schools and families more time to make decisions or prepare for the change.

Some parents throughout California have been vocal about wanting the mask mandate in schools lifted. At the Discovery Preschool in Truckee, children have not been wearing masks for a few months, said Courtney Dent, the school's assistant director, in violation of state guidelines. The Nevada County preschool has 72 students ages 2 to 5 years old. Dent said some children in January wore masks because of the surge, but the school leaves it up to families.

Masks are required for staff, teachers and parents of children at Discovery Preschool. Other safety measures include taking kids' temperatures when they arrive, not allowing parents into the classrooms and doing activities outside.

Dent said they are waiting for the rules to change for the staff. "I hope to god it does change, we are all ready," she said.

While schools like Discovery Preschool have already made the decision to not require masks, some experts say the state's decision to end the mandate comes too soon, especially for California's smallest residents, who are not eligible for vaccination against COVID-19.

"The message the public has heard is, 'Masks are not necessary,'" said John Swartzberg, clinical professor emeritus of infectious diseases and vaccinology at the U.C. Berkeley School of Public Health. "The state is leaving the decision to the parent or the adult. That's fine, but now the parents are struggling with the decision."

Swartzberg said another two to three weeks would have meant knowing for sure the case rate has decreased enough

to lift the mandate instead of relying on predictions.

"That is hope, that the trajectory will continue," he said about the state's projection. "I think it's a fairly safe bet, but I think public health policy should be based on health unless the policy is having significant harm."

Shira Shafir, an infectious disease epidemiologist at the University of California at Los Angeles Fielding School of Public Health, goes even further for the 2 to 5 year olds.

She points out that these children are ineligible to be vaccinated, can get infected, can transmit the infection to others and, while rare, can get severely ill from COVID-19. They are also often in the same facilities with infants under 2 who cannot wear masks.

"The wise thing to do is to continue to have children mask until they are eligible to be vaccinated and there is a sufficient number of them vaccinated to be protected," Shafir said.

Experts agree that for the smallest children, the most effective protection is for everyone around them to be vaccinated.

While some have worried that masking impedes learning or development, Shafir, Swartzberg and Aragón say there is no evidence of developmental or emotional downside to children masking.

Aragón said a variety of factors went into the state's decision to lift the mandate, including the rate of new coronavirus cases, the number of vaccinated Californians, how many people the omicron variant infected and the lessons learned about COVID-19 over the last two-plus years.

The COVID-19 case rate in California as of March 7 was 11.1 new cases per 100,000 people, a drop from 19.5 cases per 100,000 people the previous week, according to the Department of Public Health. By March 11, the state expects it will be even lower.

Swartzberg questions the decision, noting that California did not follow the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's recommendation to lift mask mandates last June because the state's rate back then was three new cases per 100,000 people. He wants to see the rate at least that low again before students are allowed to pocket their face coverings.

Since then, so many people have been infected by the Delta and Omicron variant surges that the calculation has changed, Aragón said.

Plus, a mask in a school setting, Aragón said, has been just one tool to reduce transmission. Now, schools will need to focus on ventilation, getting kids to stay home when they are sick and other precautions.

Swartzberg is concerned that this is another area where there will be inequity. When masks come off and protection is dependent on filtration systems, fans and outdoor time, then schools or child care centers with fewer resources will be less safe.

Mask rule changes for schools and child care sites have been slower to come from the state than for restaurants, retail stores or public events.

"Children have no choice, they have to be in school. They don't have a choice who they sit next to and they spend a long period of time day after day with other people," Aragón said. "So we are extra protective of the children with the primary goal of keeping the schools open."

By lifting the mandate, the state has shifted the responsibility to the child care, preschool and school officials, and that makes things more difficult for them, especially in this politicized environment, experts said.

When masks were a requirement, at least a preschool had state law to lean on, Shafir said.

"Now that it's strongly recommended,

it forces the administration, the heads of preschools, day care, toddler yoga, whatever it is, to decide," she said. "They no longer have that protection from the state to implement a policy that is in the best interest of the children."

And it's easier for kids to do when all of them are required to wear a mask, she said.

Shafir is the parent of a 3 year old who attends a university-run preschool. The children there are required to wear KN95 or similar masks and get weekly nose-tickle COVID-19 tests.

Shafir said her preschool is keeping masks and other precautions in place for students through the end of March.

"We hope that families and places will continue to (wear masks)," Aragón said. "We recognize there are some families in some parts of the state that feel differently and don't want to wear a mask, and this gives them the opportunity to do something different."

Kimi Mtovic, who owns Miss Kimi Family DayCare in San Jose, said she and her staff are keeping their mask on.

"We are not comfortable taking the masks off," she said. "For the kids, it's going to have to be up to the parents, whatever they are comfortable with."

In his last press conference as Humboldt County's health officer, Ian Hoffman was asked directly about his stance on masking in local schools.

"I think we've made it very clear that we still strongly recommend that after March 11, that the schools continue to mask," he said.

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Journal news editor Thadeus Greenson contributed to this report.

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Auditor-Controller Working to Meet State's March 16 Deadline

The State Controller's Office has clarified that the final demand letter sent from the Attorney General's Office to Humboldt County Auditor-Controller Karen Paz Dominguez threatening to fine her \$5,000 if she failed to turn in a long-overdue 2019-2020 financial report was not, in fact, a mistake, as Paz Dominguez suggested at the March 1 meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

Rather, the letter came at the express request of Controller Betty Yee, her press secretary Jennifer Hanson informed the Journal and other media outlets.

Despite several requests from the state and missed deadlines for the document, which is statutorily required to be filed with the state annually, Paz Dominguez said she had been under the impression that state demands for the document to be turned in were on hold pending an ongoing investigation by the SCO into the county's financial reporting that began in December.

"What I shared on Tuesday was what we understood at the time after speaking with the SCO team who is performing our review," she said.

The final demand letter arrived Feb. 25 and pointed to repeated efforts by the state to get Paz Dominguez to file the county's 2019-2020 financial report — the first being a notice sent Feb. 26, 2021, after the county missed the initial Jan. 31 deadline — setting a hard March 16 deadline for the document and threatening to pursue legal actions, including a \$5,000 fine, against Paz Dominguez if it isn't met.

On March 1, Paz Dominguez read a lengthy statement to the board in response to the state's final demand letter in which she shared numerous "findings" from her review of the county's finances and detailed a host of perceived irregularities, including an allegation that the County Administrative Office had "forged" a document sent to the state. The board asked Paz Dominguez to return March 15 with documentation and evidence of her claims.

What was seemingly missing from Paz Dominguez's comments on March 1, however, was an explanation as to why the 2019-2020 report remains overdue despite the state's request that it be filed with unaudited figures that could be amended as needed if discrepancies were

found. Failure to file the report has already resulted in the state freezing allocations of workforce development and transportation funds, while other county departments and outside agencies have warned of further cascading impacts.

The county has contracted with outside firm CliftonLarsonAllen to help complete the report, which the firm has pledged to do by March 31. Asked whether the report could now be completed by the state's hard March 16 deadline, Paz Dominguez wrote in an email to the Journal on March 3 she would be meeting with her office's team that day "to discuss a realignment of our tasks to free up an accountant to complete the report with the information we have available to us." The County Administrative Office had also offered to send an extra help employee to aid the effort, Paz Dominguez wrote, adding that her office would address the

situation urgently.

On March 4, County Administrative Officer Elishia Hayes said in an email to the Journal that while she had offered an extra help employee to the Auditor-Controller's Office that employee "does not feel well suited to do this work." Instead, she said, the county has now offered a vendor who could help and to engage CliftonLarsonAllen about completing under the new deadline.

Responding to a follow-up email, Hayes said it's unclear whether Paz Dominguez will take either of those options.

"The auditor would need to provide that direction," Hayes wrote. "I have asked her to confirm if she would like me to proceed with procuring a consultant for that engagement."

— Thadeus Greenson

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Humboldt County Auditor-Controller Karen Paz Dominguez. File

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Behavioral Health Grant: The Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services' Behavioral Health branch has been awarded a \$430,000 grant to assist the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office in responding to mental health crisis calls. The state grant will fund six new positions — two clinicians, two case managers and two peer coaches — to work in teams with deputies. POSTED 03.04.22

Email Hacking Abounds: The Humboldt County Office of Emergency Services and other local agencies are warning residents of an uptick in phishing scams and email hacking incidents aimed at gaining access to or damaging computers and network systems. The Ferndale Chamber of Commerce urged residents not to open attachments or links in suspicious emails. For more on what to look out for, visit www.northcoastjournal.com. POSTED 03.05.22

Hoopa Tribe Nabs \$5 Million Grant: The Hoopa Valley Tribe has been awarded a \$5 million grant from the state's Clean California initiative — the largest amount available under the Caltrans-led program. According to a press release, the funds will be used to makeover Pookey's Park, the Hoopa Rodeo Grounds, Tish Tang Campground and Hoopa Neighborhood Facilities. POSTED 03.03.22

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Comment of the Week

"Bunny was the best. I treasure every memory. This is a beautiful obituary - thank you so much. And much love to Tawny and all who loved her."
— Jenny Lamb commenting on the Journal's website on an obituary for Bunny Mae Walthuis, who died Feb. 6 after a 21-month battle with stage 4 cervical cancer. POSTED 03.02.22

‘Icons of Preparedness’

Why the sun might be setting on Humboldt County’s tsunami siren system

By Kimberly Wear

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Photos by Jonathan Webster



Tsunami siren “I” stands over the National Weather Service office on Woodley Island.

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Woodley Island, NOAA Office

Troy Nicoloni was still at the Woodley Island office of the National Weather Service before dawn on March 11, 2011, after what had been a long night for the then warning coordination meteorologist who was monitoring updates after a massive rupture of the subduction zone off the coast of Japan.

Later upgraded to a magnitude-9.1 earthquake — one of the largest recorded in modern history — the first alert had been issued just before 10 p.m. PST. Soon, news began trickling out about the ensuing tsunami that reached parts of Japan’s shoreline within minutes, overwhelming protective barriers, killing thousands and sweeping away entire cities.

Now surges from 5,000 miles away were barreling across the Pacific Ocean at the speed of a jet airliner and a wide swath of the West Coast, including Humboldt County, was under the highest assigned threat level — a tsunami warning — meaning low-lying areas like King Salmon and Manila were potentially at risk of destructive flooding.

In those early morning hours, Nicolini coordinated with representatives from area tribes, local emergency officials and their counterparts in Mendocino and Del Norte counties, who collectively decided to sound the local alarm at 4:30 a.m. At the appointed time, Nicolini sat down at the NWS command console and pushed a sequence of buttons that sent out a signal to remotely trigger the region’s warning system.

Simultaneously, across hundreds of miles of the North Coast, sirens blared, NOAA weather radios switched on and programming on television and radio was automatically interrupted to announce a tsunami was on the way. Law enforcement went door to door in vulnerable areas to urge residents to evacuate and a shelter was established at Redwood Acres. The Samoa Bridge was closed and school districts across Humboldt County canceled classes for the day.

“With everything happening at the same time, there was perfect clarity, I feel like, in northwestern California about what was going on,” Nicolini said in a recent interview with the *Journal*.

Three hours later, the first waves began to arrive. Humboldt was spared but the Crescent City Harbor was not. While most of the Del Norte County-based fishing fleet was able to leave before the surges hit, dozens of boats were crushed and many of the docks destroyed, leaving \$20 million in damage. One man was killed after being swept away while trying to photograph the tsunami near the mouth of the Klamath River.

“It was a powerful experience,” Nicolini said. “When we issued the tsunami warning, I went outside of my office and I could hear a few sirens in Humboldt Bay and I was like, ‘Wow.’ It was really pretty profound and they worked really well at the time.”

But a lot has changed since that morning 11 years ago, when the sirens wailed their last warning.

In a test last March, nearly half of the county’s 12 sirens — those located at Orick, Clam Beach, Arcata, Trinidad Rancheria and Big Lagoon — were silent, casualties of standing sentinel along the local coastline for years, battered by the salt air and the North Coast’s notoriously damp conditions. Another in Manila had been inoperable for even longer.

Now Ryan Derby, the county’s emergency service manager, is tasked with weighing options for moving forward in a vastly changed emergency notification landscape that, unlike in 2011, allows local officials to reach thousands of people via text, email and reverse-911 calls to landlines within minutes.

“I see last year, even though a large number of sirens failed, as a good way to measure the effectiveness of the system,” Derby said. “For us, it’s a success because it allows us to hyper-analyze how we reach people and where, and how we focus our efforts.”

While the siren’s circle of horns measuring some 3-feet high and 4-feet wide cut an impressive figure set atop poles across the coastline from Fields Landing to Orick, the reality is their use is limited and the devices are only one of many notification methods deployed in the case of impending tsunami.

Their main purpose is to serve as a warning for those out on the beach or in the water if waves from distant shores pose a significant danger, when officials generally have hours to get out the word before impact. In the case of a locally generated event, there likely would not be time to set them off.

Complicating matters is the lack of a designated funding source for maintaining or replacing the sirens, meaning the county would need to apply for a federal grant to cover the cost, which would require a 25-percent match. With initial estimates for buying new sirens coming in at \$500,000, not including installation and required studies, the question being raised is: Are they worth the cost?

“The general consensus is that sirens are really an antiquated alerting technique that is kind of like comparing the use of a pager to the use of an iPhone 12,” said Derby, who’s spent the last year gathering input from state emergency officials, the National Weather Service and the Redwood Coast Tsunami Work Group, among others. “There are a whole slew of new options we have that would be more effective for that distance-source event.”

Over the last 100 years, five tsunamis have caused damage on the North Coast, according to Cal Poly Humboldt Geology professor emeritus Lori Dengler, an expert on earthquake and tsunami hazards and hazard reduction. Each of those tsunamis came from points around the Pacific — Chile, Alaska, Kamchatka, the Kuril Islands and Japan.

“These are the type of tsunami that the official alert system is designed to notify us

about,” Dengler said. “The 2011 Japan tsunami is a good example. It took over nine hours for the tsunami to reach our coast.”

The region’s greatest tsunami threat remains in our own backyard — the Cascadia subduction zone, a nearly 700-mile fault line running from Vancouver Island to Cape Mendocino capable of unleashing a magnitude-9.0 or greater megathrust earthquake, which could be followed by a devastating surges that sweep well past the coastline within minutes.

Dengler said earthquakes are the most common source of large tsunamis, with one in the magnitude-7.5 or higher range posing a “significant risk.”

“People will feel the shaking from an earthquake of that size for more than a 100 miles ... and the shaking will last a minute or longer,” she said.

In that case, as Derby, Dengler and Nicolini all emphasized, Mother Nature is the alarm, with intense, prolonged shaking, the sound of a loud roar or the ocean suddenly receding to expose the sea floor — all signs it’s time to immediately head for higher ground, regardless of whether a siren sounds or an emergency alert pings your cell phone.

“When that fault ruptures, the damage to coastal infrastructure will likely be significant, disrupting power and communications systems,” Dengler said. “I would be very surprised if any of the systems that are part of the official warning system will be operational, considering the shaking and surface fault rupture we are likely to experience.”

The North Coast experienced a taste of what the Cascadia subduction zone can do back on April 25, 1992, when a small corner ruptured near Petrolia, producing a magnitude-7.2 earthquake that shook the ground with such force it overwhelmed the ability of seismic-equipment in the area to even register the intensity at points and — for the first time ever recorded along the West

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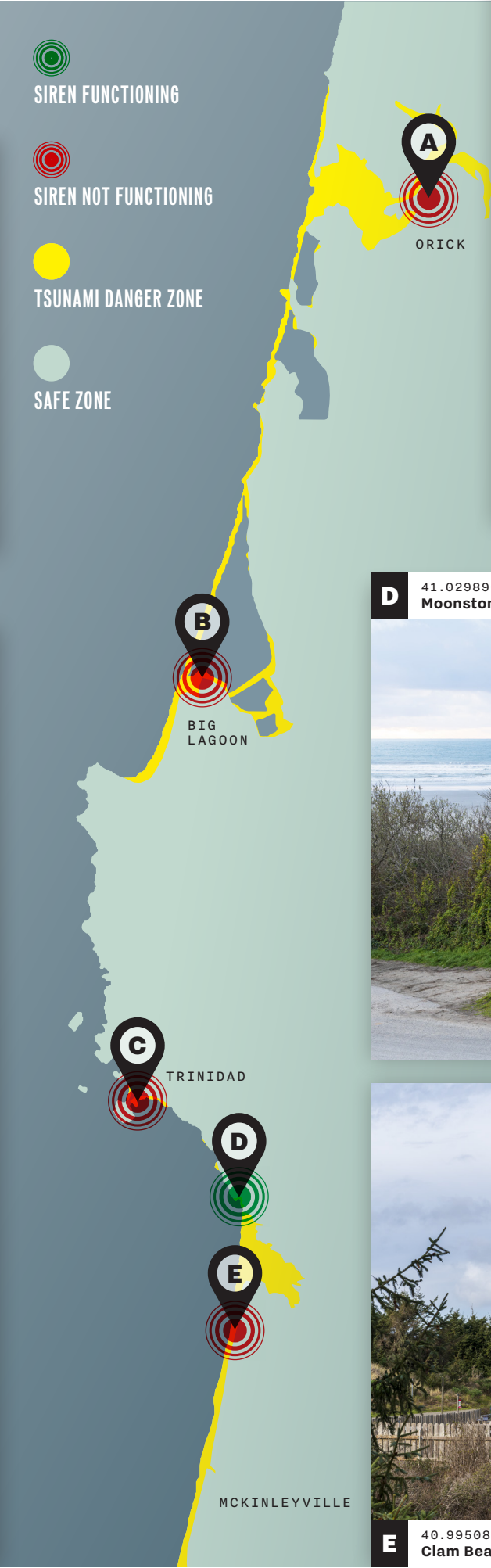
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Coast — sent a locally generated tsunami to shore.

In the aftermath, landslides shut down roads, water mains burst, windows shattered, a wide swath of the North Coast was left without power and fires destroyed the Petrolia post office and a business center near Scotia.

Near the epicenter, a 15-mile-long section of coastline was thrust several feet in the air, leaving tide pool creatures trapped above the ocean's reach, with the same movement causing a corresponding drop in the Eel River Valley floor, forever altering the local landscape.

Two powerful aftershocks — a 6.5 and 6.6 — followed the next morning amid a series of smaller ones. For those who were here, it almost seemed like the earth would never stop shaking.

Dengler said she's neither "thumbs up or thumbs down" on the future of the North Coast's sirens, but notes the general consensus that those currently in place are obsolete and "not worth trying to revive."

"They are basically a 1950s-60s design and the systems were not designed for our damp, salty coastal environment," she said. "That means the expense of purchasing new sirens, installing them and the continued expense of maintaining them. County officials need to look long and hard at the benefit-cost ratio."

But, Dengler said, there's also a need to recognize the reassuring presence the sirens evoke, even if it provides something of a false sense of security.

"If some or all of our sirens are removed, it is important to help everyone understand that this doesn't mean they are now more exposed — that there are plenty of systems that are more likely to work that will notify them of an impending tsunami," she said. "But the last thing we want is a population dependent on sirens, who thinks sirens are more important than feeling the earthquake shaking."

There's always more education that needs to be done on that front, Dengler said, with tourists, visitors and those who are homeless hardest to reach and educate about the dangers posed by the clashing tectonic plates off the Humboldt coast.

"Some of these groups can be reached through stronger ties with hospitality industries," Dengler said, noting tsunami-prone Hawaii has a long history of educating tourists and disseminating alerts. "I have been to several hotels that provide earthquake/tsunami flyers in all hotel rooms. This needs to become the norm — along with information about fire escape routes."

She said she'd also like to see organizations that work with the unhoused help spread the word.

"But my biggest concern for all of these

groups is the local Cascadia earthquake and tsunami threat, and not the tsunami coming from Alaska or Japan," Dengler said. "Whether we have working sirens or not really doesn't make any difference if the tsunami source is right under our feet."

That's why preparedness events like the annual ShakeOut Earthquake Drill in October and the tsunami warning tests each March play such a vital role, she said, allowing local emergency officials to do a full test-run of the alert systems, while also educating residents about how to prepare, warning signs to watch out for and what to do in the case of a major seismic event, including practice walks on evacuation routes in tsunami hazard zones.

Dengler said she hopes the North Coast can someday be as prepared as the residents of Langi Village on Simeulue Island. Although 100 years had passed since a devastating tsunami last hit, the residents there continued to follow advice handed down from generation to generation: When there is prolonged shaking, head to higher ground.

So on Dec. 26, 2004, when the ground shook with intense force, the entire village did what they always do: They grabbed the children and placed those who couldn't make the walk into carts and marched up a hill to safety. Within minutes, 30-to 45-foot high waves from the devastating Indian Ocean tsunami began to arrive.

Even without access to warning systems, or even electricity, everyone in the village survived, as did all but seven of the 75,000 people who lived on the island.

Dengler said when she asked one of the villagers if they had ever questioned the need to make their way to higher ground with every large quake, "they just looked at me as if I were crazy and said that every earthquake just might be the one to produce a great tsunami and that every large one was an opportunity to practice how to evacuate."

Humboldt County is not alone in considering its next steps with warning sirens.

Just over the Oregon border, Curry County commissioners voted in 2019 to discontinue siren use, finding the cost outweighs the benefit in an age of cell phone alerts and other notification systems. Farther to the north, Tillamook County made the same decision nearly a decade ago.

But nearby Del Norte County, which bore the brunt of the 2011 event and where memories of the 1964 tsunami that killed 11 people and destroyed 29 blocks of Crescent City still resonate, officials opted a few years ago to stay the siren course.

Derby said two main options are currently on the table in Humboldt. The first, he said, is to leave the sirens in their current state with no maintenance and allow the devices

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to “be a really good conversation starter” about the threat of tsunamis on the North Coast and the other warning systems now in place.

Top among those is Humboldt Alert, the county’s emergency notification system, which allows residents to receive information on everything from floods and fires to tsunamis. For tourists and visitors, most cell phones now come equipped with the federal Wireless Emergency Alert system in place, which sends geographically targeted, text-like messages to anyone in the area of a public safety threat, as long as their location signal has not been turned off.

But that doesn’t mean those left behind by the digital divide — or who, for whatever reason, can’t be reached where they are by those alerts — will be left unprotected, Derby said.

Since last year, all Humboldt County Sheriff’s Office patrol vehicles have been equipped with high-lo sirens to quickly warn threatened areas in the event of evacuations, whether from wildfire, flooding, tsunami or other life-threatening emergencies.

And with hours to work with in the case of a distance-source tsunami, warnings can be broadcast over vast stretches of coastline via the civil air patrol while law enforcement is sent out to shut down coastal access. Then there are the more traditional alert methods: TV and radio emergency broadcasts, NOAA radio alerts and reverse 911 calls.

“With the advanced technology and the ability to use high-low sirens and dispatch people out to the hazard areas before the event hits, I’m confident that we’d be able to notify people of a distance-source event without the use of sirens,” Derby said.

The alternative would be to initiate an impact study to pinpoint the highest priority areas for siren replacement and apply for a federal hazard mitigation grant, which would cover 75 percent of the cost. That scenario, Derby said, would mean “looking at just a handful” of strategic sites.

At the end of the day, sirens are just noise machines, alerting people that something is happening but not what it is or what to do. And, the network is only sounded if Humboldt County is under a tsunami warning, when surges with swirling currents could potentially breach beyond beaches and the harbor, putting homes and businesses at risk. They don’t sound in the case of a lower level

advisory, like the one that occurred in January after an undersea volcano erupted near Tonga, when the main danger was strong currents and unpredictable wave heights along the coast.

The advantage of mobile alerts and physical evacuations, including the use of civil air patrol, is that officials are able to get out real-time information with clear directions, whether that means giving instructions to evacuate or shelter in place, or even to sound the all-clear, Derby said.

“At this point, just looking at the potential cost of replacement of the sirens vs. the benefit ... the benefits are somewhat negligible,” he said. “It’s hard to justify putting the cost forward for that project when we have other mechanisms that may be more effective.”

The office of North Coast Congressman Jared Huffman, who strongly advocated for preserving the nation’s tsunami warning system when President Donald Trump proposed shuttering one of two

warning centers and cutting funds for the deep-sea monitoring system that provides real-time information on a tsunami’s movements, said it has not received any requests for financial assistance from emergency officials in Humboldt but “stand ready to help if needed.” State Assemblymember Jim Wood’s office said staff would look into the issue, while state Sen. Mike McGuire’s office did not immediately respond to an inquiry on the subject.

Derby said his recommendation to bolster existing more modern methods is not to say that sirens haven’t played a role in keeping coastal communities safe, but now their usefulness is more as “a large, visual symbol of preparedness and protection” that breaks the ice and starts people talking.

Nicolini agreed, describing them as akin to a really good coffee table book.

“The great value sirens have still to this day is that they get the conversation going like nothing else we do about tsunami safety,” he said, adding that inevitably the first question at any preparedness event is always about sirens. “They are icons of preparedness. There is just something about them.”

Nicolini said he’s proud of the work done to install the current network of sirens — free hand-me-downs from Diablo Nuclear Power Plant in San Luis Obispo that arrived

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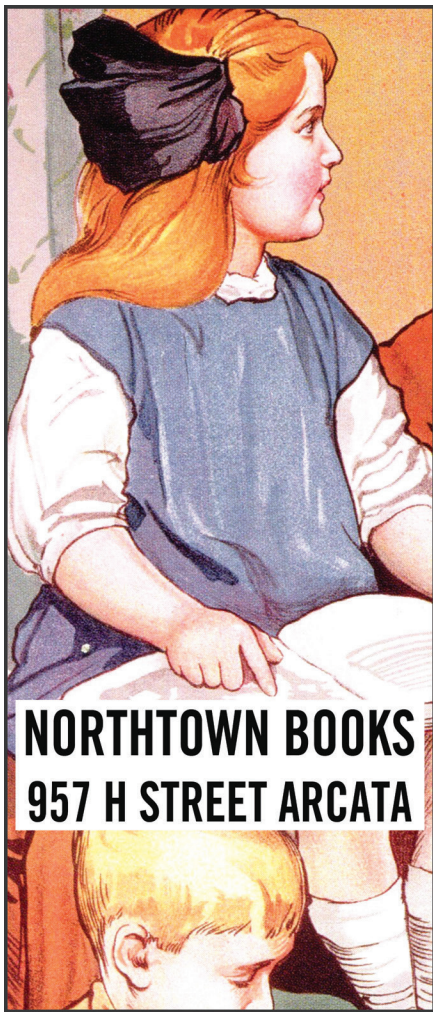
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* The three sirens located in Shelter Cove are maintained separately from the rest of the county's tsunami alert system.



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Shelter Cove, Lower Pacific Road

in January of 2006. Ironically, he noted, late Supervisor Jimmy Smith was able to broker the deal with PG&E because the nuclear plant was upgrading its siren technology.

About six dozen were distributed across the North Coast, with the NWS, local tribes and officials in the tri-county area working together to design a remote activation mechanism that utilized the same signal being used to trigger alert systems already in place.

"We felt it was a beautiful solution because it integrated everything," Nicolini said. "If we issued a tsunami warning, it would interrupt television and radio stations, it would turn on people's personal NOAA radios that are activated by the same signal and it would turn the sirens on."

So, on the morning of March, 11, 2011, all local officials had to do was agree on a set time. As smoothly as the system worked that day, Nicolini said, there are now better tools that weren't available back then.

Nicolini said he's not against the siren system but keeping metal devices with moving parts that house sensitive equipment operational in a marine environment is a constant challenge, with most of the current ones now "corroded to oblivion."

And they make more sense in some communities than others, he said, pointing to Shelter Cove, which separately maintains three sirens and where cell phone coverage is limited, and Del Norte County, where the population is more centralized and the community has a long history of destructive tsunami events.

In fact, Nicolini said, he's been one of the longest holdouts. "They just have an iconic symbolism of preparedness that I just always thought made them worth the effort."

But with everyone from school children to grandparents now carrying cell phones, there are simply other systems that can get out information "more reliably than an outdoor siren could ever do," he said, especially in combination with all the other emergency alert tools available in the county, including NOAA weather radios, emergency broadcast alerts on TV and radio, hi-lo alert sirens on police and fire trucks, and the ability to send out the civil air patrol.

Ultimately, Nicolini said, the key to any emergency notification system is redundancy. But when the big event that's most likely to be life-threatening comes, there won't be a text or a siren. There will just be shaking.

"It's going to be Mother Nature telling you, 'You have 10 minutes to get out of there,'" Nicolini said. "So that's the most important warning system, by far." ●

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Eureka's Appetite for Fast-food Chains

A developer's plan for Annie's Cambodian highlights drive-thrus' downsides

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The peeling exterior of Annie's Cambodian belies its bustling interior, decorated with paintings and carved wooden statues, and warm with the smell of dishes cooked with lemon grass, anise and kaffir lime leaves that have won it a steady following. It's a customer base used to seeing Chin and Annie Chau, as well as their daughter Laura Chau-Yang, cooking in the pass-through window to the kitchen. When the *Lost Coast Outpost* reported Feb. 25 that the building's owner had submitted a proposal to knock it down, along with the adjacent closed Subway and Sizzler restaurants, to build a Starbucks and another restaurant, both with drive-thrus, that clientele was vocal in its opposition.

The online petition opposing the project and urging people to attend the Eureka Planning Commission meeting where it will be discussed (April 11) focuses on a trio of issues: the loss of a beloved local business that's managed to survive the economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic, potential traffic congestion and loss of Humboldt's unique character to a growing number of corporate fast-food chain restaurants. These concerns, while immediate for Annie's Cambodian, have been brewing amid a recent surge of chain openings along Broadway.

Unlike Arcata, Eureka does not have a cap on the number of corporate chains — "formula" restaurants, as they're named in the Arcata ordinance — keeping new ones from being built until an existing one closes. But the current controversy over Annie's Cambodian has brought the issue to the fore, prompting Councilmember Leslie Castellano to request adding consideration of a moratorium on drive-thrus to the next meeting's agenda. From the gridlocked openings and long lines at In-N-Out and KFC, it would seem Eureka has an appetite for chains. But as the U.S. Highway 101 corridor through town crowds with their signs and locally owned restaurants struggle, many are wondering if unlimited growth of corporate chains is good for Eureka.

Laura Chau-Yang does a little of everything at Annie's Cambodian: washing dishes, waiting tables and cooking. Weighing the family's options, she says shutting down is a last resort, especially for her mother, Annie. "She loves cooking and that's her passion and she loves sharing her cooking and seeing everyone enjoy it," Chau-Yang says, noting customers have told her they would miss the restaurant experience if they switched to a food truck. But finding an affordable, comparable space that wouldn't require a lot of renovation has been difficult. "Annie's is such a small mom-and-pop shop that we don't have the backing of like a franchise or something corporate to put down the money for that."

"We are looking and trying to look at all avenues right now," Chau-Yang says, adding the family would like to stay in Eureka but would consider Arcata. "We're still up and running until the landlord tells us you've got 30 days to move out ... We're doing everything we can and scrambling. ... I don't know what [the petition] can help. If anything, maybe it can get us more time."

She acknowledges that an owner of private property has the right to do what they like with it.

Victor Chiang of Humboldt QOZ Fund, LLC, the Bay Area developer that owns the property, says the timeline is not entirely up to him and Annie's Cambodian is on a month-to-month lease.

"You'll have to check with the city in terms of what's the typical permitting process," he says. "I think at least six months."

Eureka City Manager Miles Slattery says the economic development department is working to help the restaurant find another spot, possibly a city-owned property. "I can assure you that in that in six months we'll find a place for Annie's to be," he says.

Humboldt QOZ Fund, LLC's proposed plan requires a conditional use permit, since it includes restaurants with drive-thrus. According to Kristen Goetz, principal planner for the city, the plan-

ning commission will look at whether the project meets zoning requirements, how it impacts public health, safety and welfare, as well as whether it conforms to land use plans. There'll be consideration of impacts on the neighborhood, like traffic, as well as mitigation options, like the traffic light installed for In-N-Out. Since the project lies within the coastal zone, it also needs a coastal development permit, for which the commission will look at whether it conflicts with coastal regulations and resource protections. Goetz says new construction also goes through a design review process, determining whether the planned building is "ugly, inharmonious, monotonous or hazardous." She chuckles at the wording: "Not sure how much more subjective we could get."

What those permit processes don't include are consideration of economic competition or the displacement of local businesses, or how many drive-thrus Eureka has already (though CalTrans will look at traffic flow on and off the property since it's on U.S. Highway 101). And without any limits in place, "If 90 people came and applied, we'd have 90 applications to work through," says Goetz. In fact, her department already has another application for a cluster of drive-thru restaurants in the corner of Target's parking lot, which is owned by Santa Ana-based Tab Johnson. She notes that if a business owner or resident has "a persuasive argument [against a proposed development], the planning commission can take that into consideration ... they're certainly willing to listen." But she can't recall a petition ever halting a project.

Chiang's name and contact information are also on an application for demolition and construction of another Starbucks and Subway on the site of the Pine Motel at 2411 Broadway. "Eureka's just attractive in that there's a lot of traffic, it's on the 101. There's a lot of vacancy so it's not to say that only a franchise would be interested."

He says he hasn't looked at the petition.

"I don't make the market," he says. "I'm

just a small developer; I can't tell people where to shop. I don't do that. That's a function of the larger economy that I don't control. The chains, as much as people like to vilify them, it's a brand. It allows the franchisee a model that they can work with. ... In some ways, it would benefit the local businesses like the hotel, or even mom-and-pop businesses in the area. ... Just having more traffic creates synergy," making Eureka a "food node" on the way up the coast.

However, the idea of the local franchisee Chiang references has largely vanished. While Humboldt's McDonalds restaurants are locally owned, the Burger Kings are not and KFC is among a stable of more than 80 restaurants owned by a group in Oregon. As for Chipotle, In-N-Out and Starbucks, none of those companies sells franchises. As for whether the chains benefit local restaurants, not everyone is convinced.

Castellano says with a laugh, "I haven't had anyone come to me with the desire for more fast-food restaurants." She says Annie's Cambodian "returned" the idea of a drive-thru cap to her radar but it isn't the first time she's considered the idea. She says chains like Starbucks have shown their ability to undersell and overwhelm local businesses. She'd also like to see visitors get out of their cars and see Eureka.

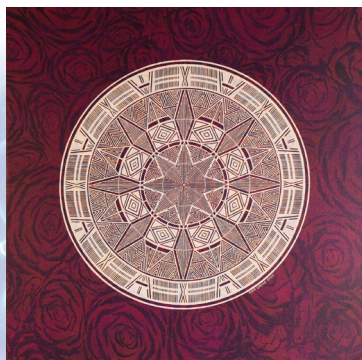
"I think [chain drive-thrus] do meet the desires of some of our citizens and, at a certain point, in my opinion, they do determine people's perception of a town ... and they do have an impact on smaller businesses," she says, adding that, with that in mind, she's asked city staff to research and present options like a moratorium or limit on the number of drive-thrus in the city. "My concern is that if we don't do anything there'll just be this constant rise and fall of fast food, and I don't think anyone wants to see that." ●

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The Mad River and the ocean meet.

Photo by Simona Carini

Cycling Along the Water

To the end of the Humboldt Bay Trail

By Simona Carini

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Driving south from Trinidad, I got off at the Crannell Road exit and parked at the north end of Clam Beach Road. As I set up the bicycle, my gaze glided over the dunes — still in the shadow at 9 a.m. in mid-January — and the ocean, then rose to take in the pale sky. “How beautiful this view,” I thought, “and I have it all to myself.”

The ocean kept me company as I rode along Clam Beach Road until, at the south end, I entered the Hammond Trail. I saw the water again where the trail overlooks the Mad River estuary — high tide waves met the river in a high-energy dance.

I entered the shaded part of the Hammond Trail, chilly as the sun was still trying to filter through the trees. The trail winds through McKinleyville until, at the intersection with School Road, it briefly plunges downhill to the Mad River Bridge. Past the bridge, I turned right and followed the river to the county park's entrance. Ducks swam quietly, the water flowed, the sun started to feel warm on my face.

I retraced my path and at the bridge I turned south to ride across the Arcata Bot-toms. Fresh grass had turned the pastures into brilliant green carpets, much to the cows' delight. Having recently returned from a visit to Tucson, Arizona, the grass struck me as even brighter after the pale green desert vegetation there.

A strange silhouette made me look twice: A great blue heron was standing among cows. As an attempt at disguise, it was not successful, but seeing animals share space as if it were the most natural thing to do always makes me smile.

I ended up on Alliance Road then turned

right onto the Arcata City Trail, which brought me to the Arcata Marsh, the third water-centric environment of the ride. That's where I wish I knew more about birds; there are always so many of them swimming, flying, and fishing, and I can identify only a few. Even in the absence of names, though, I relish their presence.

Past the marsh, the bay was a silver blue mirror that morning, calm and calming. I cruised nicely, the crisp morning air filling my lungs, my eyes bathed in shades of blue, until the End of Trail sign halted my ride. Up to that moment, I had ignored U.S. Highway 101 and its traffic running on my left. I was on a dedicated space and felt safe there.

A Share the Road sign on the freeway side alerts drivers that from that point on there may be cyclists. For a long time after I started cycling longer distances a couple of years ago, I refused to ride on U.S. Highway 101. Then one Sunday, early in the morning so traffic would be at its lightest, I did it and since then I've done it a number of times. I still don't like it, though; I am tense and just want it over. The whole time I think, “I wish they completed the trail so cyclists can safely ride between Arcata and Eureka.”

Staring at the End of Trail sign was not part of my plans, so I turned around and resumed pedaling. On the way back, after crossing Samoa Boulevard, I turned left on it, then right onto V Street. Past St. Mary's Church, I turned left into Foster Avenue and was again immersed in brilliant green.

Better paved roads in the Arcata Bot-toms are my second cycling-related wish. It was hard not to think about recent rides on

the Chuck Huckelberry Loop, Pima Coun-ty's 137-mile system of paved pathways and bike lanes that connect destinations throughout the Tucson metro area. The Santa Catalina Mountains (north and north-east of the city) make for an impressive backdrop and the loop is well maintained.

Back to the car, I relished a special post-first-longish-ride-of-the-New-Year contentment. I have done some cycling around the world in the last couple of years and I can say that the Humboldt ride I've just described is first class — the variety of scenery, the views and the wildlife are quite special. Being able to continue along the bay to Eureka and farther to the Headwa-ters Forest Reserve via Elk River Road would make a stellar ride. Cyclists, long-distance runners and walkers would love to be able to go past the end of the trail — and, of course, to go from Eureka to Arcata.

The Humboldt Bay Trail website says construction of the final 4 miles is planned to begin in 2022. As I was putting the finishing touches on this story, I received the newsletter from the Humboldt Trail Council with detailed updates on the proj-ect that indicate 2023 appears to be a more realistic target for beginning construction.

As long as steps are being taken in the right direction, I remain hopeful that the day will come when we can retire the forbidding End of Trail sign and let people flow freely around the bay. ●

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Ocean Kings More Abundant in 2022

By Kenny Priest

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Chris Contreras, of Garberville, landed a nice Chinook salmon while fishing out of Shelter Cove last season. Ocean salmon anglers could face a more restricted season due to low Klamath numbers.

Photo courtesy of Jake Mitchell/Sea Hawk Sport Fishing

The number of adult fall-run Chinook salmon forecast to be swimming off the coast of California seems to be trending upward from last year. That was the good news delivered at last Wednesday's annual Ocean Salmon Information meeting hosted by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The number of Sacramento River fall-run Chinook salmon predicted in the ocean this season is 396,458 compared to 271,000 last year, a 45-percent increase. This year's ocean abundance for the Klamath River also came in above the 2021 forecast, with 200,100 adult fall Chinook salmon predicted to be in the ocean. Although an improvement, it's still well below the stock's historical levels.

Even with an increase in ocean abundance, both commercial and recreational anglers will likely face tougher restrictions this year to protect the Klamath stocks. One of the main reasons behind the restrictions is the harvest rate of 4-year-old Klamath fall Chinook. The harvest rate is currently set at a maximum of 16 percent. In 2021, the harvest rate shot up to 27 percent, mainly due to the Klamath salmon intermixing with the Sacramento fall run in the San Francisco Bay region, where the baitfish were plentiful. This concentration of both stocks also made them vulnerable to sport and commercial anglers.

The Klamath, where the fall-run Chinook were declared overfished in 2018, is also lagging in adults and jacks returning to the river. In 2021, 64,591 adults returned, which is just 54 percent of the historical average. And the 2 year olds, or

jacks, were also well short of long-term averages. Last year 10,384 returned, 60 percent of average. These low returns have led to years of missed natural escapement numbers. In 2021, the natural escapement objective was 31,574 but just 30,196 were counted. The geometric mean of adult natural escapement for the past three years is 25,111, which is well short of the minimum floor escapement of 40,700. A whopping 85,251 natural area spawners are necessary in 2022 for the stock to be considered rebuilt.

What the PFMC chooses to do with these numbers will be determined in the next couple of months. Up next, the PFMC will meet March 8 through March 14 in San Jose to determine whether any in-season actions are required for fisheries scheduled to open prior to May 16. They will also craft three regulatory alternatives for ocean salmon fisheries in effect on or after May 16. Final adoption of alternatives for public review is tentatively scheduled for March 14. To view the salmon preseason process, visit www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Ocean/Regulations/Salmon/preseason.

River Closures

As of Tuesday, the South Fork Eel, Middle Fork Eel, Mattole, Redwood Creek, Van Duzen and Mad are currently closed to fishing due to low flows.

Eel River (main stem)

As of Tuesday, flows were right around 1,220 cubic feet per second at Scotia. The water is low and clear, and the fishing remains up and down. The few boats still fishing are getting a chance at a few fish

per trip. There are still plenty of fresh fish moving in.

Smith River

The Smith is back under 900 cfs as of Tuesday. There are fish in the river, including fresh ones, but the conditions are tough. The water is extremely clear and you'll need to be stealthy to get bit consistently.

Chetco

"After dropping below 400 cfs, the Chetco got a much-needed boost in flows last week, reaching 3,000 cfs while giving steelhead anglers their best action since early January," said Andy Martin of Wild Rivers Fishing. "Big numbers of steelhead were caught Thursday, Friday and Saturday before the action stalled somewhat on Sunday. The river will be low and clear again by the end of this week before another storm arrives next week. Steelhead are spread throughout the river, with a mix of wild and hatchery fish, with about half of the catch downrunners."

Read the complete fishing roundup at www.northcoastjournal.com.

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Calendar

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The Humboldt All-Stars. Submitted

Harken back to the swinging '20s, '30s and '40s with Humboldt's premier Dixieland band, the **Humboldt All-Stars on Saturday, March 12 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Fortuna Monday Club (\$10)**. Members of the group have played with countless jazz and Dixieland groups, from the Hall St. Honkers to the Jewish Wedding Band to the College of the Redwoods Jazz Orchestra. Don't miss this show — bring proof of COVID-19 vaccinations and wear appropriate masks. Tickets available at the door. Doors at 6:45 p.m.



Libby Maynard. Photo by Jay Tilghman, Ink People Center for the Arts

The Ink People Center for the Arts invites you to a street festival this Saturday to celebrate the Executive Director Emeritus Libby Maynard's incredible career as an artist, community organizer, arts administrator and friend of the arts. The **Ink People Street Party and Celebration of Libby Maynard**, happening **Saturday, March 12 from noon to 5 p.m. at Synopsis (free)** will have live music and performances from Bandemonium, Steel Pan Drums, Synopsis Eureka Drum Brigade, Aerial Dance, DeeJay Julee Unruee and Middle Eastern dance with Shoshanna & Friends, among others. There'll be food truck refreshments, arts and culture booths and at 3 p.m., Maynard will be presented with an acknowledgement of her contribution to the arts in Humboldt County.



Dominic Romano and Evan Morden. Submitted

Wear some green for the **St. Patrick's Day Pick-up Dinner and Irish Music on Thursday, March 17 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Clarke Historical Museum (\$10-\$35)**. Enjoy Celtic music performed by Evan Morden and Dominic Romano, and a meal of corned beef and cabbage, vegetables and soda bread (vegetarian option available) crafted by Brett Shuler Fine Catering. Pick up your traditional fare at the museum to take home and enjoy Irish music via Zoom or eat at the Clarke and watch the performance in person. Attendance will be limited to 30 people and full vaccination is required.

Heads up, folks: Due to the increase in COVID-19 cases in the area, many events are in flux. Please check our online calendar for event changes and contact information before heading out. We'll do our best to update the rapidly changing info. At press time, these events are still on. Please remember the county mandatory masking ordinance is in place and mask up for yourself and your neighbors.

10 Thursday

ART

Food and Drink Exhibition. Redwood Art Association Gallery, 603 F St., Eureka. This in-gallery membership exhibition features artists' interpretations of all things related to food and drinks. Multimedia pieces including oil paintings, ceramics, photography, pastels are featured.

Right to Vote Exhibition. Redwood Art Association Gallery, 603 F St., Eureka. This exhibition was a challenge from the Redwood Empire Quilting Guild to members asking for creations inspired by the right to vote. Through March 11.

BOOKS

Beelzebub's Tales To His Grandson Radio Hour. 10-11 p.m. The book will be read in its entirety on Humboldt Hot Air. Free. rybopp@suddenlink.net. www.HumboldtHotAir.org. 826-7567.

COMEDY

Breed or Bust. 8 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. Blending standup and storytelling, Joyful Raven recounts her difficult reproductive "choices" and contends with her primal baby-making instincts. Both in-person and livestream tickets are available. \$20. www.zerotofiercer.org/schedule/2022/2/3/breed-or-bust.

LECTURE

Asian Women's Voices in Humboldt. 6-7:30 p.m. Cal Poly Humboldt, 1 Harpst St., Arcata. Join the Women's Resource Center for its first event during Herstory month. This will be an open panel about women's stories and experiences in Nelson Hall East 102 (Goodwin Forum). Free. hsuwomen@humboldt.edu.

MUSIC

John Reischman and the Jaybirds. 7:30 p.m. The Old Steeple, 246 Berding St., Ferndale. Grammy-winning bluegrass artists. Proof of vaccination required for all attendees over the age of 5; masks must be worn inside. \$25, \$20 advance.

EVENTS

Hazel Ricard: Translating Text to Embodiment. Noon-1 p.m. A workshop that translates poetic text into movement and sound. \$10 includes lunch. www.zerotofiercer.org/schedule/2022/3/10/lunchbox-with-hazel-ricard-translating-text-to-embodiment.

Zero to Fierce 2022: Listening Out Loud. 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. The Arcata Playhouse presents its womxn's festival, which encompasses International Women's Day on March 8 and celebrates creative womxn's work. Find a full schedule online. www.zerotofiercer.org. 822-1575.

FOR KIDS

MARZ Project. Noon-5 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Humboldt and Del Norte county youth ages 12 to 26 learn to express themselves creatively in visual art, audio and video production. All MARZ students have free access to equipment, software and training. Meets via Zoom by appointment. Free. marzproject@inkpeople.org. 442-8413.

FOOD

Volunteer Orientation Food for People. 3-4 p.m. Help fight hunger and improve nutrition in the community. Visit the website to be invited to a Zoom orientation. Free. volunteer@foodforpeople.org. www.foodforpeople.org/volunteering. 445-3166 ext. 310.

MEETINGS

Ujima Parent Peer Support. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. For BIPOC families. See the HC Black Music and Arts Association Facebook page for more information. hcblackmusicarts@gmail.com.

Virtual Whiteness Accountability Space. Noon-1 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Community members who identify as white are invited to weekly conversations led by white facilitator from Equity Arcata. Email for the Zoom link. equityarcata@gmail.com.

ETC

Arcata Chamber of Commerce Online Silent Auction. 5:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Online auction to help the chamber support local, small businesses, community initiatives and creative community collaborations. www.32auctions.com/ArcataChamberAwards22.

CUNA Valley West Voting Event. 5-8 p.m. Red Roof Inn, 4975 Valley West Blvd., Arcata. CUNA (Comunidad Unida del Norte de Arcata/Community United of North Arcata) hosts this in-person voting session on how the residents of Valley West want to spend \$15,000 allocated from the City of Arcata for beautification and community connectivity. Drop in to vote and stay for music, food and children's activities.

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. This class offers pronunciation, speaking, reading, writing, vocabulary, verb conjugations and common expressions. All levels welcome. Join anytime. Free. www.englishexpressem-powered.com.

KEET's Spring Fundraising Drive. KEET TV, Channel 13, Humboldt. PBS presents *Concert for George*, a tribute concert for George Harrison, along with some familiar shows during the drive. Donation and program schedule online or by phone. www.KEET.org. 497-5050.

Restorative Movement. 10:30-11:30 a.m. & 2-3 p.m. Virtual World, Online. SoHum Health presents classes focused on strength and mobility (Tuesday), and on relaxation and breath work (Thursday). Contact instructor Ann Constantino for online orientation. \$3-\$5

donation per class, no one is turned away for lack of funds. annconstantino@gmail.com. www.sohumhealth.org. 923-3921.

Women-Owned Construction Firm Panel Discussion. 10-11 a.m. A panel of successful women-owned construction firms will discuss their challenges and tips for success. Moderated by Norcal PTAC's Construction and Public Works Specialist Edward Duarte. Via Zoom. Free. info@norcalptac.org. www.norcalptac.org/events/wic-week-series-session-3-panel-women-owned-construction-firms. 267-7561.

11 Friday

ART

Arts Arcata March. 4-8 p.m. Celebrate the visual and performing arts in Downtown Arcata. Wear green, chase rainbows and be lucky at a night market with local art vendors, music and more in the plaza center circle. Visit stores to find Leprechaun Gold to be traded at the plaza for tickets to win a prize. Free. www.arcatamainstreet@gmail.com. www.arcatamainstreet.com. 822-4500.

COMEDY

Breed or Bust. 9:30 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. See March 10 listing.

DANCE

I Will Walk With My Song Torn Open. 8 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. A theatrical, dance and musical exploration of women's voices and women's wildness inspired by the Oresteia. Both in-person and livestream tickets are available. \$10. www.zerotofiercer.org/schedule/2022/3/6/i-will-walk-with-my-song-torn-open.

LECTURE

Birds and the Burn. 7-8 p.m. Sarah Rockwell (Klamath Bird Observatory) and Nate Trimble (Rogue Valley Audubon Society) discuss how conservation organizations and birdwatchers cooperate to monitor changes in the Bear Creek bird community to gauge watershed health and restoration efforts in the wake of 2020 fires. Free. www.rras.org/home.aspx.

MOVIES

Midnight Movie: The Texas Chainsaw Massacre (1974). 11 p.m.-1:45 a.m. Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Pre-show at 11 p.m. Movie at midnight. Rated R. 18 and up. \$8. info@arcatatheatre.com. www.tickets.vemos.io/-LvzSYm6udEnGfKIRLa/arcata-theatre-lounge/-MwI1QKKSzglVh9MPedj/midnight-movie-the-texas-chainsaw-massacre-1974. 613-3030.

MUSIC

Dave Griswold Memorial show w/The Stallions. 8-11 p.m. The Historic Eagle House, 139 Second St., Eureka. A night of celebration for Dave with The Stallions, a Ween Tribute band. Food and drink available for purchase by Phatsy Klines. Free. brad.phatsyklines@gmail.com. 407-0634.

Hayal at Synopsis Union. 7:30-10:30 p.m. Synopsis, 1675 Union St., Eureka. The Eureka-based band plays music from the Middle East and North Africa on traditional instruments, often accompanied by dancers. Part of the grand opening celebrations at the new Synopsis location. \$5-15 sliding scale, tickets at the door. derinque@gmail.com. www.synopsisperformance.com. 845-4708.

Shelter n Play. 6 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Public group on Facebook made up of local musicians and music fans. Live streams, videos, events and local music

links. www.facebook.com/groups/224856781967115.

EVENTS

Native Youth: A Good Day to Create: Visual Sovereignty and Native American Art. Noon-1 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. Led by Native youth from the Arcata High Native American Club, this panel will be devised of Native American artists discussing how their work engages visual sovereignty. \$10 includes lunch. www.zerotofiercer.org/schedule/2022/3/11/lunch-box-native-womens-collective.

Zero to Fierce 2022: Listening Out Loud. 10 a.m.-10:30 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. See March 10 listing.

FOR KIDS

MARZ Project. Noon-5 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

FOOD

Soroptimist International of Eureka Spaghetti Dinner. 4:30-6 p.m. Eureka Woman's Club, 1531 J St. Drive-through dinner with curbside pickup. Dinner includes spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, bread and dessert. Purchase tickets at any Coast Central Credit Union branch. \$15. carolecrossleygifts@gmail.com. www.facebook.com/Soroptimist-International-of-Eureka-257893280152. 845-7243.

GARDEN

Sea Goat Farm Garden Volunteer Opportunities. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Abbey of the Redwoods, 1450 Hiller Road, McKinleyville. Help with animal care, weeding, watering, planting and occasional harvest help on Saturday mornings. Volunteers get free produce. flowerstone333@gmail.com. (530) 205-5882.

ETC

Arcata Chamber of Commerce Online Silent Auction. 5:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

KEET's Spring Fundraising Drive. KEET TV, Channel 13, Humboldt. See March 10 listing.

Tabata. 5:30-6:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. SoHum Health presents online classes with short, high intensity cardio workouts. Contact instructor Stephanie Finch by email for a link to the class. Free. sfinch40@gmail.com. www.sohumhealth.com.

12 Saturday

BOOKS

Friends of the Fortuna Library Book Sale and Dinner. 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Fortuna Veterans Hall/Memorial Building, 1426 Main St. This fundraiser fills the building with used books. A drive-thru dinner of grilled chicken, twice-baked potatoes and salad is also available. Dinner is \$25 each or two dinners for \$40 and comes with membership. \$0.50 paperbacks, \$1 hardback, bag of books \$1 after 4 p.m. akc.wonder@gmail.com. www.facebook.com/events/1979811122198505/. 5307227545.

MUSIC

An Evening with Aireene Espiritu. 8 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. Storytelling with guitar and ukulele. Sponsored by Humboldt Asians and Pacific Islanders in Solidarity. Both in-person and livestream tickets are available. \$15. www.zerotofiercer.org/schedule/2022/3/12/musical-performance-by-aireene-espiritu.

Humboldt All-Stars. 7:30-8:30 p.m. Fortuna Monday

Club, 610 Main St. A concert of music from the 1920s through 1940s. Must show proof of COVID-19 vaccinations and wear appropriate masks. Limited seating. Check updates online and on Facebook. \$10. fortunaconcert@live.com. www.fortunaconcertseries.com.

Sweet Harmony Women's Chorus. 2-2:30 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. The a capella ensemble sings classic and contemporary songs in the barbershop tradition. Find them under the tent in front of the playhouse. Free, donations welcome. www.zerotofiercer.org/schedule/2022/2/6/sweet-harmony-womens-chorus-zag6x.

THEATER

FÜ Unicorn. 2:30 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. An interactive children's musical play about childhood sexual abuse for adults only. Note that there will be no late seating for this performance. \$10. www.zerotofiercer.org/schedule/2022/3/5/f-unicorn.

EVENTS

55th Anniversary Of Portuguese Immigrant Week. Noon-3 p.m. Ferndale Portuguese Hall, Fifth Street and Ocean Avenue. Join the Portuguese Fraternal Society of America, Council 3 for favorite Portuguese foods and desserts. Fresh Portuguese donuts to go while supplies last. Benefits the Ferndale Portuguese Hall Association. Free. stephaniekoch296@gmail.com.

Ink People Street Party and Celebration of Libby Maynard. Noon-5 p.m. Synapsis, 1675 Union St., Eureka. A street festival to celebrate arts, culture and Maynard's career. With live music, performance, arts and culture booths, food truck and more. Free. www.synapsisperformance.com.

Zero to Fierce 2022: Listening Out Loud. 10:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. See March 10 listing.

FOOD

Arcata Plaza Farmers Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Humboldt County grown and GMO-free produce along with plants, meats and more. Educational materials including a seasonal eating guide, recipes and merchandise available. Always open rain or shine. Free. info@northcoastgrowersassociation.org. www.northcoastgrowersassociation.org. 441-9999.

HAPI Meal To Go. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. "Ono" food fundraiser hosted by Humboldt Asian and Pacific Islanders in Solidarity. Hawaiian-style plate lunch. Choose teriyaki chicken or spicy grilled tofu served with rice, green salad with miso dressing, and a side of kimchi. Proceeds help pay for Humboldt Taiko's new odaiko drum. \$20. www.zerotofiercer.org/schedule/2022/3/12/hapi-meal-to-go.

Sea Goat Farmstand. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Abbey of the Redwoods, 1450 Hiller Road, McKinleyville. Fresh veggies grown onsite, fresh sourdough bread from Humboldt Baking Company and farm fresh eggs. Art from local artists as well as goods from a variety of local artisans. flowerstone333@gmail.com. (530) 205-5882.

GARDEN

Sea Goat Farm Garden Volunteer Opportunities. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Abbey of the Redwoods, 1450 Hiller Road, McKinleyville. See March 11 listing.

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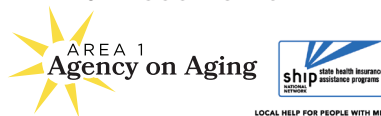
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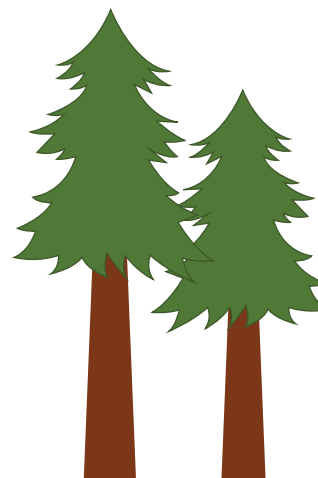
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FOAM Marsh Tour w/Lynn Jones. 2 p.m. Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary, South I Street. Meet leader Jones in the lobby of the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk focusing on the human and natural history of the North Bay. Masks are required inside the building. Free. 826-2359.

Guided Walk at Founders Grove with Nature Guide Griff. 11 a.m.-noon Humboldt Redwoods State Park, 17119 Avenue of Giants, Weott. The Founders Grove loop trail is less than a half-mile long and is ADA accessible. There will be frequent stops to discuss the redwoods, the history of the land and the wildlife. Free. John.griffith@parks.ca.gov. www.humboldtredwoods.org.

Habitat Improvement Team Volunteer Workday. 9 a.m.-noon. Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge, 1020 Ranch Road, Loleta. A morning of habitat restoration by removing invasive, non native plants. Wear long pants, long sleeves and closed-toe shoes. Bring drinking water. Tools, gloves and snacks provided. Meet at the Richard J. Guadagno Headquarters & Visitor Center. Free. denise_seeger@fws.gov. www.fws.gov/refuge/humboldt-bay. 733-5406.

LGBTQIA+ Walk at Founders Grove with Nature Guide Griff. 1 p.m. Humboldt Redwoods State Park, 17119 Avenue of Giants, Weott. Join Interpreter Griff for a half-hour guided walk in the redwoods. The Founders Grove loop trail is less than a half-mile long and is ADA accessible. Free. www.humboldtredwoods.org.

Sue-meg State Park Volunteer Event. 9 a.m.-noon. Sue-meg State Park, 4150 Patrick's Point Drive, Trinidad. Help remove invasive English ivy from the Sitka spruce forests. Wear sturdy shoes and long pants for walking off trail, a hat and work gloves, and bring water. Meet at the Mussel Rock parking lot. Day use fee is waived for volunteers. All participants receive one free day use pass to Sue-meg State Park (formerly known as Patrick's Point State Park). Heavy winds or rain cancel. katrina.henderson@parks.ca.gov. 677-3109.

ETC

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

KEET's Spring Fundraising Drive. KEET TV, Channel 13, Humboldt. See March 10 listing.

13 Sunday

MOVIES

The Pagemaster (1994). 5-8 p.m. Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Pre-show at 5 p.m. Movie at 6 p.m. Rated G. All ages. Parental guidance sug-

gested. \$8. info@arcatatheatre.com. www.tickets.vemos.io/-LvzvSYm6udEnGfKIRLa/arcata-theatre-lounge/-Mw0w4nnzI5YUuNb3Sc/the-pagemaster-1994. 613-3030.

EVENTS

Zero to Fierce 2022: Listening Out Loud. 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. See March 10 listing.

FOOD

Food Not Bombs. 4 p.m. Arcata Plaza, Ninth and G streets. Free, hot food for everyone. Mostly vegan and organic and always delicious. Free.

OUTDOORS

Audubon Guided Bird Walk. 9-11 a.m. Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge, 1020 Ranch Road, Loleta. Meet leader Ralph Bucher for a walk along the Shorebird Loop Trail where songbirds, raptors, waders and water birds have been spending the winter. The 2-mile walk is along an easily accessible flat gravel trail. RSVP by text. Free. thebook@reninet.com. www.rras.org/home.aspx. 499-1247.

Lost Coast Trail Stewards Work Day - Pacific Rim Trail. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. King Range National Conservation Area, 768 Shelter Cove Road, Whitethorn. Clear brush along this 2.5-mile loop trail, with provided tools. The Lost Coast Trail Stewards will meet at Pacific Rim Trailhead, just off Shelter Cove Roa at Bear Creek, an unsigned turn-off approximately 2/10 mile east of Chemise Mountain Road. RSVP by email. Free. justin@lostcoast.org. www.lostcoast.org/event/lost-coast-trail-stewards-work-day-pacific-rim-trail/.

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14 Monday

ART

CraftBoston: Pins + Needles. Virtual World, Online. Online show of nearly 80 national artists bringing intricate techniques and unexpected materials to wearable art, including pins, brooches, scarves and jewelry. Includes Eureka artists Norman Sherfield and Erin Austin. www.societyofcrafts.org/pins-and-needles/.

Julia Bradshaw: Photography as Material. Reese Bullen Gallery, Cal Poly Humboldt, Arcata. Featuring Bradshaw's two photography projects "Stacks and Shapes" and "Survey," shown side by side. The exhibit runs through March 26.

FOOD

Volunteer Orientation Food for People. 3:30-4:30 p.m. See March 10 listing.

MEETINGS

Area 1 Agency on Aging Area Plan Update. 9:30 a.m. Virtual World, Online. The agency invites older adults, their service providers and supporters living in Humboldt or Del Norte County to comment on the proposed Area Plan activities for fiscal year 2022-23. Join the Zoom meeting at www.humboldtstate.zoom.us/j/81471464262?pwd=S0dlZlYcGdIcnB2OXhPR3l-PaINNQTO9. Meeting ID: 814 7146 4262 Passcode: 723568

ETC

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Ham Radio Technician License Class. Virtual World,

Online. The Humboldt Amateur Radio Club offers a class to prepare for the license exam. Get the Zoom link by email. Free. ke6hec@arrl.net. www.humboldt-arc.org. 834-0042.

Tabata. 5:30-6:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 11 listing.

15 Tuesday

FOR KIDS

MARZ Project. Noon-5 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

MEETINGS

Humboldt Cribbage Club Tournament. 6:15-9 p.m. Moose Lodge, 4328 Campton Road, Eureka. Weekly six-game cribbage tournament for experienced players. Inexperienced players may watch, learn and play on the side. Moose dinner available at 5:30 p.m. \$3-\$8. 31for14@gmail.com. 599-4605.

ETC

English Express: An English Language Class for Adults. Ongoing. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

Restorative Movement. 10:30-11:30 a.m. & 2-3 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

16 Wednesday

BOOKS

On the Same Page Book Club. 5:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Online book club that meets on the first Wednesday of the month on Zoom. Sign up using the Google form at www.forms.gle/bAsjdQ7hKGqEgKj7.

LECTURE

Iberian Lynx Lecture. 7 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Fernando Najera joins the Sequoia Park Zoo from the Department of Animal Physiology and Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at Complutense University of Madrid to discuss disease surveillance during the reintroduction of the Iberian lynx in Southwestern Spain. Zoo updates at 6:45 p.m., lecture at 7 p.m. Zoom link online. Free. www.SequoiaParkZoo.net.

MOVIES

International Fly Fishing Film Festival (IF4) Screening. 6-8:30 p.m. Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. Short and feature-length films from all corners of the globe. See the passion, lifestyle and culture of fly-fishing, hear about California Trout's conservation work and win prizes. \$20, \$10 student/youth. mancel@caltrout.org. www.caltrout.org/event/arcata-international-fly-fishing-film-festival-if4-2022. (415) 527-3231.

Sci-Fi Night: Chappie (2015). 6-9 p.m. Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Pre-show at 6 p.m. Raffle at 6:55 p.m. Main feature at 7 p.m. Rated R. All ages. Parental guidance suggested. \$5. info@arcatatheatre.com. www.tickets.vemos.io/-LvzvSYm6udEnGfKIRLa/arcata-theatre-lounge/-Mw10V39haRVTYQrFoz3/scifi-night-chappie-2015. 613-3030.

SPOKEN WORD

Redwood Poetry Slam. 6 p.m. The Miniplex, 900 Samoa Blvd., Arcata. Hosted by Word Humboldt and Redwood Reworded. Prizes for the top three competing poets. Sign-ups start at 6 p.m. 21 and up. Please wear a mask while mandate is in effect. \$5 to compete, free for audience. richardsgoat@gmail.com. www.facebook.com/events/5 0119652146/?ti=ls. 630-5000.

FOR KIDS

MARZ Project. Noon-5 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

GARDEN

Sea Goat Farm Garden Volunteer Opportunities. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Abbey of the Redwoods, 1450 Hiller Road, McKinleyville. See March 11 listing.

MEETINGS

HBMS Meeting: Hygrophoraceae with Lauren and Luca. 7:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. Lauren Ré and Luca Hickey talk about the colorful waxy cap family on Zoom. Free. www.redwoods-edu.zoom.us/j/94147307764?pwd=UThXTkxLVk5xYUIEZUt0QX-FYYU5iQT09.

Nordic Aquafarms Open Zoom. 12:30-1:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. This is a causal open Zoom meeting where people can ask questions and discuss the proposed Nordic Aquafarms project. satkinssalazar@gmail.com. us02web.zoom.us/j/85356158130.

ETC

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Tabata. 5:30-6:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 11 listing.

17 Thursday

BOOKS

Beelzebub's Tales To His Grandson Radio Hour. 10-11 p.m. See March 10 listing.

MUSIC

Israel Vibration with the Roots Radics. 8 p.m. Mateel Community Center, 59 Rusk Lane, Redway. Mateel Community Center presents from Jamaica the legendary Israel Vibration with the Roots Radics. All ages. Food and drink will be served. \$30, \$28 advance. www.mateel.org.

EVENTS

St. Patrick's Day Pick-up Dinner and Irish Music. 4:30-7 p.m. Clarke Historical Museum, Third and E streets, Eureka. Pick up your meal to take home and watch Irish music live-streamed over Zoom, or eat at the Clarke and watch in person. Live attendance limited to 30 fully vaccinated attendees. \$10-\$35. admin@clarkemuseum.org or dana.f@clarkemuseum.org. www.clarkemuseum.org/st-patricks-day-drive-by-dinner.html. 443-1947.

FOR KIDS

MARZ Project. Noon-5 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

FOOD

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MEETINGS

Ujima Parent Peer Support. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

Virtual Whiteness Accountability Space. Noon-1 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

ETC

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Restorative Movement. 10:30-11:30 a.m. & 2-3 p.m. Virtual World, Online. See March 10 listing.

Free Will Astrology

Week of March 10, 2022

By Rob Breznsy
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Aries author Isak Dinesen defined “true piety” as “loving one’s destiny unconditionally.” That’s a worthy goal for you to aspire to in the coming weeks. I hope you will summon your deepest reserves of ingenuity and imagination as you cultivate a state of mind in which you adore your life just as it is. You won’t compare it negatively to anyone else’s fate, and you won’t wish it were different from what it actually is. Instead, you will be pleased and at peace with the truth of exactly who you are right now.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): As author Mary Ruefle points out, “In the beginning, William Shakespeare was a baby, and knew absolutely nothing. He couldn’t even speak.” And yet eventually, he became a literary superstar—among history’s greatest authors. What happened in between? I’m not exaggerating when I attribute part of the transformation to magic. Vast amounts of hard work and help and luck were involved, too. But to change from a wordless, uncoordinated sprout to a potent, influential maestro, Taurus-born Shakespeare had to be the beneficiary of mysterious powers. I bring this up, Taurus, because I think you will have access to comparable mojo during the next four weeks.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): As talented and financially successful as Kanye West is, the Gemini singer-songwriter experiences a lot of emotional suffering. But no one lives an ideal life, right? And we can learn from everyone. In any case, I’ve chosen quotes by Kanye that are in rapt alignment with your astrological omens. Here they are: 1. “I’m in pursuit of awesomeness; excellence is the bare minimum.” 2. “You’re not perfect, but you’re not your mistakes.” 3. “I’m not comfortable with comfort. I’m only comfortable when I’m in a place where I’m constantly learning and growing.” 4. “Everything I’m not makes me everything I am.”

CANCER (June 21-July 22): “Any real ecstasy is a sign you are moving in the right direction,” wrote philosopher Saint Teresa of Avila, who was renowned for her euphoric spiritual experiences. So is there any such thing as “fake ecstasy,” as she implies? Maybe fake ecstasy would be perverse bliss at the misfortune of an enemy, or the trivial joy that comes from realizing your house keys aren’t missing. Real ecstasy, on the other hand, might arise from a visceral sense of the presence of God, or the rapture that emerges as you make love with a person you care for, or the elation you feel when you commune with your favorite animal. Anyway, Cancerian, I predict that in the coming days, you will have an extra rich potential for the real kinds of rhapsodic delight and enchantment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Leo actor Jennifer Lawrence portrayed a rugged, fierce, resourceful champion in The Hunger Games film trilogy. In real life, however, she has few resemblances to that stalwart hero. “I have the street smarts and survival skills of a poodle,” she has confessed. But I’ve got potentially good news for her and all the rest of you Leos. The coming months will be a favorable time for you to cultivate the qualities of a rugged, fierce, resourceful champion. And right now would be an excellent time to launch your efforts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Each of us periodically has to deal with conflict. There come times when we must face the fact that a specific situation in our lives isn’t working well and needs to be adjusted, fixed, or transformed. We might prefer to pretend the problem doesn’t exist. We may be inclined to endure the stressful discomfort rather than engage with its causes. But such an approach won’t be right for you in the coming days, dear Virgo. For the sake of your mental and spiritual health, you have a sacred duty to bravely risk a struggle to improve things. I’ll provide you with advice from novelist John Fowles. He said, “I must fight with my weapons. Not his. Not selfishness and brutality and shame and resentment.” Fowles

goes on to say that he will offer generosity and gentleness and no-shame and forgiveness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A blogger named MysteryOfWhat expressed appreciation for her errors and wrong turns. “I love all my mistakes!” she exclaimed. “I had fun!” She has a theory that she would not have been able to completely fulfill her interesting destiny without her blunders and her brilliant adjustments to those blunders. I won’t encourage you to be quite so boisterously unconditional in celebrating your fumbles and miscues, Libra. My inclination is to urge you to honor them and feel grateful for them, but I’m not sure I should advise you to shout out, “I love all my mistakes! I had fun!” But what do you think?

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Scorpio poet Norman MacCaig wrote, “Ask me, go on, ask me to do something impossible, something freakishly useless, something unimaginable and inimitable like making a finger break into blossom or walking for half an hour in twenty minutes or remembering tomorrow.” I hope people say things like that to you soon, Scorpio. I hope allies playfully nudge you to stretch your limits, expand your consciousness, and experiment on the frontier. To encourage such a development, you could do the same for your beloved allies: nudge them to stretch their limits, expand their consciousness, and experiment on the frontier.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): “Look at your body not as a source of physical attraction but as a shrine,” wrote teacher Sobonfu Somé. Personally, I have no problem if you regard your body as a source of physical attraction—as a gorgeous, radiant expression of your life energy, worthy of inspiring the appreciation of others. But I agree with Somé that you should also treat your body as a sacred sanctuary deserving of your reverence—especially now. Please boost your intention to provide your beloved organism with all the tender care it needs and warrants.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): “It’s surprising how much memory is built around things unnoticed at the time,” writes author Barbara Kingsolver. Yes! I agree. And by providing you with this heads-up from her, I’m hoping that the subtly potent events unfolding for you in the coming weeks will not go unnoticed. I’m hoping you will be alert for seemingly small but in fact crucial developments—and thereby give them all the focus and intelligence they deserve. Later, you’ll remember this delicately pivotal time with amazed gratitude.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): What’s more important: to learn or to unlearn? The answer, of course, is they are equally important. But sometimes, the most crucial preparation for a new learning phase is to initiate a surge of unlearning. That’s what I’m recommending for you right now. I foresee you embarking on a series of extravagant educational experiences in a couple of weeks. And the best way to ensure you take maximum advantage of the available lessons is by dumping useless knowledge and irrelevant information and numbing habits.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Singer-songwriter Jill Scott has earned one platinum and two gold records. She approaches her craft with diligence and intensity. On one occasion, she was frying a burger at her boyfriend’s house when she sensed a new song forming in her imagination. Abandoning the stove, she ran into the next room to grab pen and paper. Soon she had transcribed the beginning of a melody and lyrics. In the meantime, though, the kitchen caught on fire. Luckily, she doused it. Later Jill testified, “His cabinets were charred, and he was furious. But it was worth it for a song.” I don’t think you’ll have to make as big a sacrifice as hers in the coming days, Pisces. But you should respond robustly whenever inspiration arrives. ●

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The Batman Back in the Mud

By John J. Bennett

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THE BATMAN. Despite the time, space and vitriol I've maybe/probably/definitely wasted bloviating about the state of movies in the shadow of the comic book-adaptation monolith, I've been a Batman shill for longer than I'd like to admit. Being of a certain age, I saw Tim Burton's *Batman* (1989) in the theater with my parents and younger brother. Shortly thereafter, having been shuttled to Musicland in the still new Bayshore Mall, I asked the cassette steward for the soundtrack. Presented with Prince's album of original songs, I balked and, not yet capable of righteous indignation, falteringly asked for Danny Elfman's original score instead. Incidentally, I'm listening to the same (on vinyl) now because nerds don't die. The subsequent winter break, I watched *Batman* something like 18 times on VHS. I never really committed to an exploration of comics. I watched the goofy '60s TV reruns as an era of near-obsession with the Dark Knight onscreen set in.

After *Batman Returns* (1992), the sequels worked to erode my fandom, as did the simple passage of time. Still, I watched them all, with ever-diminishing returns. And so, by the time Christopher Nolan was rebooting, I was still interested but only passingly. I was underwhelmed by *Batman Begins* (2005) and *The Dark Knight* (2008) until second viewing, likely due to my virulent contrarian streak. By the time the tame backlash against *The Dark Knight Rises* (2012) began, I was back on board.

I still haven't seen anything with Affleck as Batman, though, which brings me to another misguided observation. As vocal as I am regarding my lack of engagement with Marvel product, I must grudgingly admit an appreciation of the clarity of vision, foresight and undeniable planning of the executive team. Under Kevin Feige, they've put together an immense slate of movie and TV projects that, despite my not giving a shit, hang together narratively, thematically and aesthetically. There really is a cinematic universe to engage with, while DC projects have cast about in a dozen different directions without es-

tablishing sure footing. Zack Snyder and James Wan have worked on the biggest, greenest of screens to deliver an over-the-top, quasi-dark spectacle in an apparent attempt to contend with the Avengers, but with middling success at best (at least artistically). Patty Jenkins' *Wonder Woman* (2017), despite greater overall cohesiveness of vision, belongs in their camp.

But there is hope, as I see it, in the new crop of DC-spawned projects. *Joker* (2019), though admittedly problematic, conjured a squalid, lawless, ground-level vision of Gotham and the DC universe, while *Birds of Prey* (2020), despite pacing problems and some obvious studio meddling, introduced a degree of neon-psychedelia and bleak humor. *The Suicide Squad* (2021) and the *Peacemaker* (2022), both James Gunn projects, succeed with a combination of ridiculousness and gore, shot through with a tricky mélange of hope and hopelessness.

And now Matt Reeves, who made the re-imagined *The Planet of the Apes* franchise something greater than it probably should have been, as well as elevating the found-footage model with *Cloverfield* (2008) and remaking a modern classic with a usually unseen reverence and vision (*Let Me In*, 2010), has brought us a distilled, troubling, ethically dynamic vision of Batman that stands apart from its predecessors and feels like something vital and viable.

Eschewing the gloss, technology and spectacle of Nolan's iteration, Reeves brings us down into the mud puddles of Gotham City, a struggling, sodden nightmare of a city that may be beyond salvation. Two years into his Batman experiment, Bruce Wayne (Robert Pattinson) has all but abandoned his duties as steward of his family's fortune, focusing instead on his efforts to save himself from his grief and



Working on my smoky eye. *The Batman*

rage by channeling them into anti-violence violence. The results have been fair to middling. Wayne is still a depressive recluse, and the Batman a marauder without true focus.

When a masked murderer begins dispatching prominent public figures and baiting the Batman and Lt. Gordon (Jeffrey Wright) with ciphers and cryptograms, our protagonist finds both a profound antagonist and the impetus toward closer scrutiny of his own actions, origins and intent. When Selina Kyle (Zoë Kravitz), herself a defender of the defenseless and a creature of the night, gets involved, things get even more complicated.

Reeves' vision harkens back to a down and dirty version of the Batman, and he and Pattinson have cast Bruce Wayne anew as something both simpler and more complex than versions I've seen. He is still a product of grief, desirous of vengeance (there's probably something Freudian in my fascination), but his sadness and ambivalence are rendered as far more real, more immediate. And the style of the thing, with its menace and elemental dichotomies, is transcendent. Granted, I haven't been out to the movies much lately, but sitting in the dark watching this almost — almost — made me forget the burning of the real world because I so enjoyed the creation and destruction of this imagined one. PG13. 176M. BROADWAY, FORTUNA, MILL CREEK, MINOR. ●

John J. Bennett (he/him) is a movie nerd who loves a good car chase.

NOW PLAYING

DEATH ON THE NILE. PG13. 127M. Kenneth Branagh and his mega-stache return as Hercule Poirot in the ensemble Agatha

Christie mystery remake. Starring Gal Gadot and Annette Bening. BROADWAY, FORTUNA, MILL CREEK.

DOG. Channing Tatum stars in a buddy-/road-trip movie with a Belgian Malinois. Woof. PG13. 90M. BROADWAY, FORTUNA, MILL CREEK.

DRIVE MY CAR. A widowed actor in Hiroshima to direct Uncle Vanya hires a young woman as his chauffeur in this Japanese drama. NR. 179M. MINOR.

HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA: TRANSFORMANIA. Adam Sandler returns for the cartoon-monster-family franchise. PG. 87M. FORTUNA.

JACKASS FOREVER. It's all fun and games until somebody in this aging crew breaks a hip. R. 96M. BROADWAY.

LABYRINTH. David Bowie stealing babies and Tina Turner's old wigs in the cult fantasy starring Jennifer Connelly. PG. 101M. MINOR.

SING 2. The animated animal musical returns with the voices of Matthew McConaughey and Reese Witherspoon. PG. 112M. BROADWAY.

SPIDER-MAN: NO WAY HOME. See what happens when you take your mask off? Starring Tom Holland and Zendaya. PG13. 148M. BROADWAY, MILL CREEK.

SUMMER OF SOUL. Documentary about the Harlem Cultural Festival in 1969 directed by Questlove. PG13. 117M. MINOR.

UNCHARTED. Treasure-hunting adventure with Tom Holland, Sophia Ali and Marky Mark, whom I only acknowledge in his Funky Bunch form. PG13. 116M. BROADWAY, FORTUNA, MILL CREEK.

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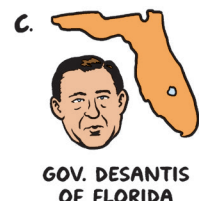
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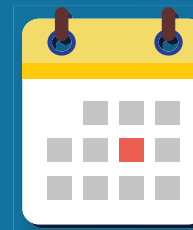
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BETTY LOU WILSON CASE NO. PR2200054

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of BETTY LOU WILSON A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner EARL KENNETH WILLIS In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that EARL KENNETH WILLIS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 7, 2022 at 1:31 p.m. at the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Dept.: 6, Room: 6

For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may

file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: Jocelyn M. Godinho, Esq. Law Office of Hjerpe & Godinho, LLP 350 E Street 1st Floor Eureka, CA 95501 (707) 442-7262 Filed: March 3, 2022 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

3/10, 3/17, 3/24 (22-111)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GARY ALLEN KNIGHT CASE NO. PR2200049

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of GARY ALLEN KNIGHT A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner MICHELLE METAXAS In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that MICHELLE METAXAS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on March 17, 2022 at 1:31 p.m. at the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Dept.: 6, Room: 6

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IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may

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2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-097)

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF NITA MAIN WATERS CASE NO. PR2200059

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of NITA MAIN WATERS A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Petitioner HEATHER BON TEMPO In the Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt. The petition for probate requests that HEATHER BON TEMPO be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 7, 2022 at 1:31 p.m. at the Superior Court of California,

County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, in Dept.: 6, Room: 6

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IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER: Kenneth M. Bareilles 533 E Street Eureka, CA 95501 (707) 443-9338 Filed: March 7, 2022 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

3/10, 3/17, 3/24 (22-115)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE UNDERSIGNED INTENDS TO SELL THE PERSONAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED BELOW TO ENFORCE A LIEN IMPOSED ON SAID PROPERTY UNDER THE California Self Service storage facility Act Bus & Prof Code sb21700-21716.

The undersigned will be sold at public sale by competitive bidding on the 25th day of March at 11 am, on the premises where said property has been stored and which is located at 804 S. Fortuna Blvd, Fortuna, County of Humboldt, State of California. The following units will be sold for cash unless paid for by tenant prior to auction.

Jacklyn Gardenhire A221, Daisy Mendez-Herrera E221, Mark Mincer B221, William Morris C238, Kyle Muth E204, Carry Perry D110, Annita Porter C111, Mark Sampanes B101, William Sand C234, Cheyenne Silva -Lovfald C114, Monica Willburn

A106, Sheila Ayub C241, Christopher Carter-White B106, Darling Castaneda F216, Ronald Downing G210, Genevieve Jacobsen A202, Jacob Johnson G111

3/10, 3/17 (22-109)

Public Sale

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code, Section 2328 of UCC, Sections 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the civil Code.

The undersigned will sell at auction by competitive bidding on Friday the 11th of March 2022, at 12:00 pm, on the premises where the said property has been stored and which is located at South Bay Mini-Storage 2031 Eich Road Eureka, CA, County of Humboldt.

Javier Ruiz Keyes, space # 5
Amber Strawn, space # 8
Jesse Herlyck, space # 10
Sebastien Hopper, space # 12
Lucas Stream-Dutra, space # 169
Pa Cheng, space # 227
Jonathan W Briesemaster, space # 236
Kevin Wallace, space # 325
Brian Simpson, space # 329
Kimberly Sovereign, space # 335
Jose H Carmona, space # 448
Suntalena K Downs space # 853
Jeffrie Harris, space # 856

Items to be sold include, but are not limited to:
Household furniture, car parts, TV, sporting goods, camping gear, workout equipment, misc. tools, holiday decorations, clothing, misc. boxes, and bags of contents unknown.

Anyone interested in attending South Bay Mini-Storage auctions must register at South Bay Mini-Storage 2031 Eich Road Eureka, CA 95503 the day of the sale before 12pm, no exceptions. Purchases must be paid for at the time of the sale in cash only. We require a \$100 deposit on all units bought. All items are sold as is, where is and must be removed at the time of the sale. Sale is subject to cancellation for any reason whatsoever.

Auctioneer: Michael Lawrence, Employee of South Bay Mini-Storage, 707-442-4631, Bond # 65434675. Dated this 3rd day of March 2022, and 10th day of March 2022.

3/3, 3/10 (22-102)

PUBLIC SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code, Section 2328 of the UCC, Section 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the civil

Code.

The undersigned will sell at auction by competitive bidding on the 16th of March, 2022, at 9:00 AM, on the premises where said property has been stored and which are located at Rainbow Self Storage.

The following spaces are located at 4055 Broadway Eureka, CA, County of Humboldt.

David Widmark, Space # 5294
Samantha Delaney, Space # 5442

The following spaces are located at 639 W. Clark Street Eureka, CA, County of Humboldt and will be sold immediately following the sale of the above units.

Dixie Rogers, Space # 3114

The following spaces are located at 3618 Jacobs Avenue Eureka, CA, County of Humboldt and will be sold immediately following the sale of the above units.

Elise Jones, Space # 1120
Isabel Reynoza, Space # 1169
Cascade Gayman, Space # 1393
Carlos Nunes, Space # 1682
Mark Pete, Space # 1723

The following spaces are located at 105 Indianola Avenue Eureka, CA, County of Humboldt and will be sold immediately following the sale of the above units.

Christina Arnold, Space # 121
Joylyn Heiser, Space # 160
Suzanne Stenecker-Dieckman, Space # 206
Marco Ramirez, Space # 384
Gary Wright, Space # 424
Kia Biddle, Space # 467
Stuart Sutherland, Space # 506
David Vaughan, Space # 809

Items to be sold include, but are not limited to:
Household furniture, office equipment, household appliances, exercise equipment, TVs, VCR, microwave, bikes, books, misc. tools, misc. camping equipment, misc. stereo equip. misc. yard tools, misc. sports equipment, misc. kids toys, misc. fishing gear, misc. computer components, and misc. boxes and bags contents unknown.

Anyone interested in attending Rainbow Self Storage auctions must pre-qualify. For details call 707-443-1451. Purchases must be paid for at the time of the sale in cash only. All pre-qualified Bidders must sign in at 4055 Broadway Eureka CA. prior to 9:00 A.M. on the day of the auction, no exceptions. All purchased items are sold as is, where is and must be removed at time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation for any reason whatsoever. Auctioneer: Kim Santsche, Employee for Rainbow Self-Storage, 707-443-1451, Bond # 40083246.

3/3, 3/10 (22-101)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 22-00069

The following person is doing Business as
**HUMBOLDT LAND COMPANY
REAL ESTATE**
Humboldt
39060 Hwy 299
Willow Creek, CA 95573

PO Box 1598
Willow Creek, CA 95573

**Tangie L Markle
871 Dennis Blvd
Burnt Ranch, CA 95527**

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Tangie Markle, Broker/Owner
This January 24, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-087)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 22-00070

The following person is doing Business as
THE FENIX FOUNDATION INC
Humboldt
39060 State Hwy 299
Willow Creek, CA 95573

PO Box 696
Willow Creek, CA 95573

**The Fenix Foundation Inc
CA C4813387
39060 State Hwy 299
Willow Creek, CA 95573**

The business is conducted by a Corporation.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

/s Tangie Markle, President
This January 24, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-086)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 22-00167

The following person is doing Business as
HUMBOLDT BAY PROVISIONS
Humboldt

205 G Street
Eureka, CA 95501

PO Box 371
Eureka, CA 95502

**Humboldt Bay Tourism Center
CA 3536388
524 5th Street
Eureka, CA 95501**

The business is conducted by a Corporation.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Sebastian T. Elrite, President/Secretary/Treasurer
This February 28, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by kt, Humboldt County Clerk

3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31 (22-118)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 22-00076

The following person is doing Business as
LULUX BOUTIQUE
Humboldt
3300 Broadway Street
Eureka, CA 95501

**Odalis G Bravo
6555 Highway 36
Carlotta, CA 95528**

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Odalis Bravo
This January 26, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (22-092)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 22-00082

The following person is doing Business as
MEIN VISUAL DESIGNS
Humboldt
3501 Church St
Fortuna, CA 95540

**Ruben J Mein
3501 Church St
Fortuna, CA 95540**

The business is conducted by an Individual.

The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on June 30, 2021.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Ruben Mein, Owner
This January 27, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-073)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 22-00096

The following person is doing Business as
RANES PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
Humboldt
42119 Hwy 299
Willow Creek, CA 95573

PO Box 431
Willow Creek, CA 95573

**Cody R Ranes
35850 Hwy 299
Willow Creek, CA 95573**

The business is conducted by an Individual.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on August 4, 2021.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s Cody Ranes, Owner
This February 1, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-080)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT 22-00090

The following person is doing Business as
BLOOM TIDE FLOWERS
Humboldt
1755 Woody Road
McKinleyville, CA 95519

**Bloom Tide LLC
1755 Woody Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519**

The business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.
The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on January 31, 2022.
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

1. Bid Submission. The City of Fortuna (“City”) will accept electronically submitted bids for its Annual Percolation Ponds Rehabilitation Project 2022 (“Project”), by or before March 25, 2022, at 2:00 p.m., via email in the manner set forth in Section 1 of the Instructions to Bidders, at which time the bids will be opened and the results posted on the City’s website at: https://www.friendlyfortuna.com/your_government/public_works_notices.php.

2. Project Information.

2.1 Location and Description. The Project is located at the City of Fortuna Tom Cooke Memorial Wastewater Treatment Plant (180 Dinsmore Drive, Fortuna).

Project is primarily the rehabilitation of two percolation ponds including bottom and sloped walls, to restore the functionality of the ponds.

Remove all material below the substrate in both ponds free from any effluent solids or river silt visible at this level, whichever is deeper (approximately 24”-36” and estimated at 1,500 to 2,100 yds3, contractor is responsible to verify).

Both ponds shall be brought back to a finished depth of 18 feet. Lightly scrape the sides of each pond to remove loose material and remove the riprap at each outfall of the ponds. Store the riprap onsite for replacement to properly dissipate the outfall flow. Repair pond walls with river run, or reuse of bond material from the bottom if acceptable to match existing slopes. Material will be disposed of onsite approximately 300 yards from the construction site (final location determined by City Engineer, General Services Superintendent or Chief Treatment Plant Operator). Maximum size of dump trucks shall be 10 yard capacity to prevent damage to existing road.

Prior to replacement of material, the bottom of the ponds shall be “ripped” with four (4) foot ripper bars. Replace material removed from the pond bottoms with ¾ washed rock (approx. 2000 tons) and reposition two pump boxes (one at the NE corner of the south pond, and the other at the southeast corner of the north pond), at finished grade level (at direction of WWTP staff). Additional riprap ¼ ton (material provided by City onsite) is available if needed when replacing each outfall slope location. Compaction of the pond sides and raking of the pond bottoms, with the bottom of each pond sloped (approx. 1-3%) toward the pump boxes, will be required prior to project finalization.

Contractor shall assist City staff with the removal and re-installation of staff gauges (if necessary) in each pond (2). The location will be determined by City WWTP Staff. Contractor shall remove all access ramps into ponds prior to completion.

2.2 Time for Completion. The Project must be completed by May 14, 2022. City anticipates that the Work will begin on or about April 18, 2022, but the anticipated start date is provided solely for convenience and is neither certain nor binding.

3. License and Registration Requirements.

3.1 License. This Project requires a valid California contractor’s license for the following classification(s): General Class A.

3.2 DIR Registration. City may not accept a Bid Proposal from or enter into Contract with a bidder, without proof that the bidder is registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations (“DIR”) to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code § 1725.5, subject to limited legal exceptions.

4. Contract Documents. The bid forms and contract documents for the Project, and any addenda thereto (“Contract Documents”) may be downloaded from City’s website located at: https://www.friendlyfortuna.com/your_government/public_works_notices.php.

5. Bid Security. The Bid Proposal must be accompanied by bid security of ten percent of the maximum bid amount, in the form of a cashier’s or certified check made payable to City, or a bid bond executed by a surety licensed to do business in the State of California on the Bid Bond form included with the Contract Documents. The bid security must guarantee that within ten days after City issues the Notice of Potential Award, the successful bidder will execute the Contract and submit the payment and performance bonds as specified in the Contract Documents, insurance certificates and endorsements, and any other submittals required by the Contract Documents and as specified in the Notice of Potential Award.

6. Prevailing Wage Requirements.

6.1 General. Pursuant to California Labor Code § 1720 et seq., this Project is subject to the prevailing wage requirements applicable to the locality in which the Work is to be performed for each craft, classification or type of worker needed to perform the Work, including employer payments for health and welfare, pension, vacation, apprenticeship and similar purposes.

6.2 Rates. These prevailing rates are on file with the City and are available online at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR>. Each Contractor and Subcontractor must pay no less than the specified rates to all workers employed to work on the Project. The schedule of per diem wages is based upon a working day of eight hours. The rate for holiday and overtime work must be at least time and one-half.

6.3 Compliance. The Contract will be subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR, under Labor Code § 1771.4.

7. Substitution of Securities. Substitution of appropriate securities in lieu of retention amounts from progress payments is permitted under Public Contract Code § 22300.

8. Subcontractor List. Each Subcontractor must be registered with the DIR to perform work on public projects. Each bidder must submit a completed Subcontractor List form with its Bid Proposal, including the name, location of the place of business, California contractor license number, DIR registration number, and percentage of the Work to be performed (based on the base bid price) for each Subcontractor that will perform Work or service or fabricate or install Work for the prime contractor in excess of one-half of 1% of the bid price, using the Subcontractor List form included with the Contract Documents.

9. Instructions to Bidders. All bidders should carefully review the Instructions to Bidders for more detailed information before submitting a Bid Proposal. The definitions provided in Article 1 of the General Conditions apply to all of the Contract Documents, as defined therein, including this Notice Inviting Bids.

12. Bidders’ Conference. A bidders’ conference will be held on March 10, 2022 at 1:30 p.m., at the following location: 180 Dinsmore Drive, Fortuna CA, 95540 to acquaint all prospective bidders with the Contract Documents and the Worksite. The bidders’ conference is not mandatory.

13. Estimated Cost. The estimated construction cost is \$90,000.

By: _____ Date: _____

Siana Emmons, City Clerk Publication Date: February 28, 2022

misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 /s Alicia M Cox, Manager
 This January 31, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (22-095)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00099
 The following person is doing Business as
THE INN AT 2ND AND C
 Humboldt
 139 2nd Street
 Eureka, CA 95501

The Eagle House LLC
CA 201610010040
139 2nd Street
Eureka, CA 95501

The business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.
 The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on February 16, 2017.
 I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
 A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 /s Tammy S Rex, Member
 This February 3, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by tn, Humboldt County Clerk
 2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-077)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00108
 The following person is doing Business as
HUMBOLDT BUNNIES
 Humboldt
 3212 Q Street
 Eureka, CA 95503

PO Box 7336
 Eureka, CA 95502

Shaylyn R Heitzman
3212 Q Street
Eureka, CA 95503

The business is conducted by an Individual.
 The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable.
 I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
 A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 /s Shaylyn Heitzman, Sole Proprietor
 This February 4, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-072)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00111
 The following person is doing Business as
PALE MOON BREWING COMPANY

 Humboldt
 600 F Street
 Arcata, CA 95521

1765 Roberts Way
 Arcata, CA 95521

Jeffrey M Finn
1765 Roberts Way
Arcata, CA 95521

The business is conducted by an Individual.
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 /s Jeffrey Finn, Owner
 This February 7, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by kt, Humboldt County Clerk

2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-070)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00116
 The following person is doing Business as
COMMUNITY REFERRALS
 Humboldt
 2850 E Street
 Eureka, CA 95501

Brian Dunlap
3500 Hadley Place
Arcata, CA 95521

Joyce M West
130 Barscape Lane
Eureka, CA 95503

The business is conducted by a General Partnership.
 The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable.
 I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
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 /s Brian Dunlap, Broker/Owner
 This February 7, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (22-089)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00118
 The following person is doing Business as
FERNBRIDGE CAFE & COFFEE BARN

Humboldt
 623 Fernbridge Drive
 Fortuna, CA 95540

Kimberlynn M Wright
1565 Jones Street
Fortuna, CA 95540

The business is conducted by an Individual.
 The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable.
 I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
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 /s Kimberlynn Marie Wright, Owner
 This February 8, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (22-088)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00119
 The following person is doing Business as
HUMBOLDT STREET ART COLLECTIVE
 Humboldt
 854 Perrott Ave
 Loleta, CA 95551

PO Box 209
 Loleta, CA 95551

Humboldt Skatepark Collective
CA C2359463
2437 E Cochran Rd
McKinleyville, CA 95519

The business is conducted by a Cooperation.
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 I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
 A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 /s Charles E, President
 This February 8, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (22-094)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00120
 The following person is doing Business as
FEATHERED FAIRIES/THE FAIRY FLOCKMOTHER
 Humboldt
 60 Harnden Lane
 Willow Creek, CA 95573

PO Box 661
 Willow Creek, CA 95573

Chandra Morgan

24303 Woolsey Canyon Rd #41
Canoga Park, CA 91304

The business is conducted by an Individual.
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 /s Chandra C. Morgan, Sole Proprietor
 This February 9, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31 (22-116)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00121
 The following person is doing Business as
STUDIO M HUMBOLDT
 Humboldt
 1240 McMahan St Apt B
 Arcata, CA 95521

600 F St #3/806
 Arcata, CA 95521

Megan M Maier
1240 McMahan St Apt B
Arcata, CA 95521

The business is conducted by an Individual.
 The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on January 7, 2022.
 I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct.
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 /s Megan Maier, Owner
 This February 9, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24 (22-104)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00128
 The following person is doing Business as
PAWS & WET NOSES PET CARE
 Humboldt
 2805 H St
 Eureka, CA 95501

Lindsey J Larson-Guillen
2805 H St
Eureka, CA 95501

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statement is true and correct.
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 /s Lindsey Larsen-Guillen, Owner
 This February 14, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (22-093)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00145
 The following person is doing Business as
MET CAM
 Humboldt
 108 Hope Lane
 Fortuna, CA 95540

Cameron G Reed
108 Hope Lane
Fortuna, CA 95540

The business is conducted by an Individual.
 The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on February 16, 2022.
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 /s Cameron Reed, Owner/Operator
 This February 17, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (22-091)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00130
 The following person is doing Business as
NICARAGUAN FOOD
 Humboldt
 625 W. Wabash Ave
 Eureka, CA 95501

115 G St #3
 Arcata, CA 95521

Wilhem A Romero
115 G St #3
Arcata, CA 95521

Alba L Lopez
115 G St #3
Arcata, CA 95521

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not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
 /s Wilhem A Romero, Partner
 Owner
 This February 14, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-084)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00155
 The following person is doing Business as
PRIMROSE HAIR STUDIO
 Humboldt
 509 J St Suite 8
 Eureka, CA 95501

Cassandra E Funk
1647 Chester Ave
Arcata, CA 95521

The business is conducted by an Individual.
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 /s Cassandra Funk, Owner
 This February 22, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by kt, Humboldt County Clerk

3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24 (22-100)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00164
 The following person is doing Business as
WANDERING FITNESS
 Humboldt
 5381 Noe Ave
 Eureka, CA 95503

Jay A Strabinick
5381 Noe Ave
Eureka, CA 95503

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 /s Jay A Strabinick, Owner/CEO
 This February 25, 2022
 KELLY E. SANDERS
 by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 331 (22-110)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00149
 The following person is doing Business as
NEXT LEVEL GAMES

Humboldt
417 2nd Street #204
Eureka, CA 95501

Next Level Games LLC
CA 202129510391
417 2nd Street
Eureka, CA 95501

The business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or name listed above on Not Applicable. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
/s/ Julian Herman, Managing Member
This February 17, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by kt, Humboldt County Clerk

2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (22-098)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00143

The following person is doing Business as
WILDER WITCH FARMS
Humboldt
3144 Central Ave
Eureka, CA 95503

Frederique M Guezille
3144 Central Ave
Eureka, CA 95503

Gabriel S Cervantes
313 Big Hill Rd
Hoopa, CA 95546

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/s/ Frederique Guezille, General Partner
This February 16, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by kt, Humboldt County Clerk

3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 331 (22-112)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00152

The following person is doing Business as
LIGHTHOUSE CONSTRUCTION LLC

Humboldt
3845 G St
Eureka, CA 95503

Lighthouse Construction LLC
CA 202004110899

3845 G St
Eureka, CA 95503

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/s/ Aaron Gustaveson, Managing Member
This February 18, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (22-099)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00141

The following person is doing Business as
STITCH
Humboldt
385 Main Street
Ferndale, CA 95536

PO Box 294
Ferndale, CA 95536

Kelly R Hampton
2670 Forest Knoll Lane
Eureka, CA 95503

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/s/ Kelly R Hampton, Owner
This February 16, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by tn, Humboldt County Clerk

2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 (22-090)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00184

The following person is doing Business as
WILD & SPONTANEOUS
Humboldt
3160 Upper Bay Rd
Arcata, CA 95521

Trinity Valley Vineyards, LLC
CA 201303810150
3160 Upper Bay Rd
Arcata, CA 95521

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/s/ Wilfred Franklin, V.P. Wine Operations
This March 4, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by sc, Humboldt County Clerk

3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31 (22-113)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 22-00186

The following person is doing Business as
MB'S POTIONS AND NOTIONS
Humboldt
1796 Port Kenyon Road
Ferndale, CA 95536

Marybeth D Bian
1796 Port Kenyon Road
Ferndale, CA 95536

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/s/ Marybeth Bian, Owner
This March 4, 2022
KELLY E. SANDERS
by kt, Humboldt County Clerk

3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31 (22-114)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: CV2200168 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT 825 FIFTH ST. EUREKA, CA. 95501

PETITION OF:
ALICIA ROSE SHERRIN
for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name
ALICIA ROSE SHERRIN
to Proposed Name
LAUNA ROSE WYRD
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a

hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: March 25, 2022
Time: 1:45 p.m., Dept. 4
For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>
Date: February 2, 2022
Filed: February 2, 2022
/s/ Kelly L. Neel
Judge of the Superior Court

2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-081)

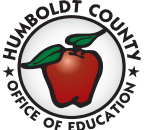
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER: CV2200191 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT 825 FIFTH ST. EUREKA, CA. 95501

PETITION OF:
TAMARA SMITH DENNIS
for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name
TAMARA SMITH DENNIS
to Proposed Name
TAMARA SMITH DOUGLASS
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to

show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: March 25, 2022
Time: 1:45 p.m., Dept. 4
For information on how to appear

remotely for your hearing, please visit <https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov/>
Date: February 4, 2022
Filed: February 7, 2022
/s/ Kelly L. Neel
Judge of the Superior Court

2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10 (22-078)



NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Humboldt County Office of Education will receive bids on a cooperative paper contract for various public agencies in Humboldt County, potentially including but not limited to the cities of Eureka, Fortuna, Arcata and Rio Dell, College of the Redwoods, Humboldt County Office of Education, and various school districts. Bid packages listing specifications may be obtained from Hana Hanawalt in the Business Services Office at the Humboldt County Office of Education, 901 Myrtle Avenue, Eureka, CA 95501. Bid forms are also available for download at <https://hcoe.org/bids>, under the 2022-2023
Paper Bids section.
Bids shall be filed in said Office of Education on or before 4:00 p.m. Friday, March 25, 2022 and will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time. The Bid analysis and initial awards may be posted on the HCOE Bids website (<https://hcoe.org/bids>) the week of March 28, 2022. It is anticipated that the awards will be approved at the April 20, 2022 Board of Education meeting.
The Humboldt County Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in the bids or in the bidding process, and to be the sole judge of the merit and suitability of the merchandise offered.
No bidder may withdraw his or her bid for a period of thirty (30) days after the date set for the opening of bids.
HUMBOLDT COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION
By: Michael Davies-Hughes, Superintendent of Schools
DATED: February 24, 2022



United Indian Health Services, Inc.
IMMEDIATE RELEASE

United Indian Health Services is seeking interested Indian Community Members in serving as potential Candidates to be members of the UIHS Board of Directors. Potential Candidates must reside in and around the UIHS Service area within one of the following areas:

- Area 1:** Del Norte County – An Alternate for remaining three year term (June 2024)
- Area 2:** Orick, Trinidad, McKinleyville, and Blue Lake – An Alternate for remaining two year term (June 2023)
- Area 3:** Arcata, Eureka, Table Bluff, and all points south (within Humboldt County) – A Primary and Alternate for three year term (June 2024)
- Area 4:** Hoopa and Willow Creek – An Alternate for remaining two year term (June 2023)
- Area 5:** Weitchpec, Johnson's and Orleans – A Primary and Alternate for remaining three year term (June 2024)

All interested Indian Community Members may request a Declaration of Candidacy packet at www.uihs.org, at any UIHS Clinic, or by calling 707.825.4136 or 707.825.5063. The Declaration of Candidacy forms must be submitted no later than April 9, 2022 to: UIHS Election Committee, P.O. Box 4238, Arcata, CA 95518.

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by David Levinson Wilk

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7. Evidence of a recent scrape

11. One standing in an alley

14. Shrink back

15. "Anything ____?"

16. "____ you decent?"

17. Cover, as a car

18. Readied, as leftovers

20. Many promotions made by Starbucks?

22. Lacto-____ - vegetarian

23. W-2 collector

26. Ruffle the feathers of a Migos member?

32. "The Time Machine" race

34. Great Plains tribe

35. Fashion designer Anna whose last name becomes a

fashion item when a "t" is added to its end

37. Great deal ... or an apt description of 20-, 26-, 45- or 52-Across

42. Down

43. Navy VIPs

44. ____ Romeo

45. Setting of a 2000s Ponzi scheme?

50. HBO competitor

51. Get an ____ (ace)

52. "SNL" castmember Alex pooh-poohs an idea for a sketch?

61. Three-fingered saluter

64. Without assistance

65. Citrus drink suffix

66. Orange-roofed chain, familiarly

67. Parallel-park, e.g.

68. See the humor in

DOWN

1. "Spamalot" writer Idle

2. Where Johnny Cash shot a man, in song

3. Bay Area campus, in brief

4. Hair style for Marie Antoinette

5. Become bored by

6. Record holder

7. Medieval laborer

8. Treble ____

9. First recipient of the ATP Player of the Year award

10. "Cold one"

11. Rocker Benatar

12. Fury

13. ____ Stark, patriarch on "Game of Thrones"

19. In its current condition

21. Ending for ball or buff

24. Fix a flat?

25. Things

26. Benny Carter song that sounds like an expression of dismay used in the Upper Midwest

27. In shape

28. Back: Prefix

29. Needing no Rx

30. The Red Baron, to Snoopy

31. Boggy lowland

32. Right side of a cliff?

33. Actors Hemsworth and Neeson

36. "____ tree falls ..."

38. Ming in the Basketball Hall of Fame

39. Downloadable form, often

40. Band with the 1991 #1 hit

"Unbelievable"

41. Tic-____-toe

46. Titles for Benedictine monks

47. What Jack Sprat couldn't eat, in a nursery rhyme

48. "Gorillas in the Mist" author Dian

49. Like secret messages

53. "Draft Dodger Rag" singer Phil

54. April 1 target

55. Mountain overlooking Tokyo

56. Quark's place

57. Olympic gold-medal gymnast Korbut

58. Lawyer's charges

59. Dart about

60. Thesaurus contents: Abbr.

61. Duffel or satchel

62. Glowing lines

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Word Order	No. of Languages	Percentage	No. of Families	Percentage
SOV	2275	43.3%	239	56.6%
SVO	2117	40.3%	55	13.0%
VSO	503	9.5%	27	6.3%
VOS	174	3.3%	15	3.5%
OVS	40	0.7%	3	0.7%
OSV	19	0.3%	1	0.2%
Unfixed	124	2.3%	26	6.1%

H. Hammarström's 2016 analysis of sentence word order in 5,252 languages. [Wikipedia](#)

Love | Language

By Barry Evans

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“With this ring, I thee wed.” These words are spoken some 2.5 million times a year in the U.S. — or up to twice that, when both parties to a marriage give rings. Notice anything odd about that sentence? “I” is the subject (S), “thee” the object (O) and “wed” the verb (V), for an “SOV” order. Which is unlike nearly every other sentence uttered in English, unless it’s deliberately done for effect or emphasis. English is one of the many languages whose usual word order is SVO, subject-verb-object (*Andy loves apples*), sharing this construction with about 40 percent of the world’s 6,000-odd languages, including French, Mandarin Chinese, Italian, Russian, Thai, Vietnamese and Serbian. The other main word order is SOV (*Andy apples loves*), used by an estimated 43 percent of languages, including Japanese, Korean, Latin, Sanskrit and Urdu/Hindi. Language being a slippery construct and exceptions abound. Serbian, for instance, which normally takes SVO, can come in any word order, the declination (noun ending) letting the listener know what’s what. Incidentally, babies in any culture usually use SOV until they learn the “correct” word order in their mother language.

What’s left? Four other constructions are possible: VSO (*loves Andy apples*), VOS (*loves apples Andy*), OVS (*apples loves Andy*) and OSV (*apples Andy loves*). Strangely enough, to ears used to hearing good old SVO or even SOV, all these orderings can be found around the world. For VSO (10 percent), check out Hebrew or Welsh, while VOS (3 percent) is found in Malagasy and Baure (Bolivia). Near the back of the pack, there’s OVS (<1 percent), found, for instance, in Apalai (Brazil) and (going where no one has gone before) Klingon. Finally, the very odd OSV is used by members of just 19 languages. I say “odd” because if we heard “man dog bit” we’d be baffled — who was the biter, who the bitee?

Why do the vast majority of languages — 84 percent — put the subject first? Because, according to linguists, when you’re communicating something to someone, it’s most efficient to start with what they already know. If you’re telling them about Andy’s proclivity for apples, you want to set the stage by first referring to Andy, someone known to both of you, that is, the topic of the sentence: “Andy” is old information. The new information that you want to impart, the comment, is Andy’s love of apples. (Which is probably why we say, “Beth’s pen” rather than “pen Beth’s,” Beth being the topic.) As linguist Dan Everett puts it, “Topic-comment is a natural communicative arrangement.”

Incidentally, the word order in English changed after the French-Norman conquest in 1066. Until then, (Germanic) English followed the general German pattern of SOV: *Er hat einen Apfel gegessen* (He has an apple eaten). It’s not black and white because you’ve got that auxiliary “hat” (has), but in general, German, from which Anglo-Saxon derived, is considered SOV (combined with “V2 word order,” if you want to be pedantic).

Here’s another word-order curiosity. An adjective is an adjective (and most other languages), we have strict rules for how we order our adjectives. You’d never say, “a green, big house,” nor “a bull, old elephant.” Somewhere in our upbringing, we internalized the following order: quantity-opinion-size-age-shape-color-or-igin-material. Thus: “Two cute, little, old, portly, brown, French velveteen rabbits.” Shape and age can often be switched, but other than that, the order is pretty much fixed — try changing it if you don’t believe me. Oh, with the usual exceptions, as above. The bad, big wolf? Nope, that dude with the fangs will always be the big bad wolf. ●

Barry Evans (he/him, barryevans9@yahoo.com), along with Yoda, fascinated by language is.

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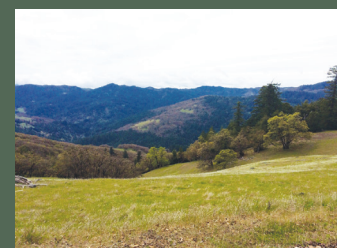
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The 83rd Annual Redwood Region Logging Conference will be held at Redwood Acres Fairgrounds in Eureka California from Thursday, March 17th through Saturday, March 19th. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to invite you to join us and enjoy the many events and exhibits that appeal to visitors of all ages. As always, admission to the Conference exhibits is FREE to the general public and includes many industry related vendors, new and historic logging equipment displays, portable sawmill demonstrations, world class chainsaw carvers, a wildlife show, logging sports, a log loader competition and much more.

Education Day kicks off the RRLC on Thursday at 9am with approximately 800 3rd through 6th grade students touring the fairgrounds while learning about all aspects of the timber industry. Throughout the day the students learn how our forests are managed sustainably while also learning about the wildlife that live in our forests. The theme of this year's Redwood Region Logging Conference is "The Timber Industry. An Essential Industry". At the start of the pandemic in 2020 many people were prohibited from working or being told to work from home. Not the timber industry. We were deemed "essential" by the government and health officials and continued to work hard not missing a beat. This solidified what we already knew in that the timber industry has always been essential in providing the materials that America depends on!

It has been an honor for me to be a director for the conference and to be the President in 2022. The Board of Directors, the Executive Director with her staff, and all of our supporters have made this Conference possible. I encourage everyone to take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about your local forest products industry and its importance to our community in the Redwood Region.

Looking forward to seeing you at the 83rd Redwood Region Logging Conference!

Joel Rink 2022 RRLC President

REDWOOD REGION LOGGING CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

2022 THEME:
THE TIMBER INDUSTRY.
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After a two-year pandemic hiatus, the annual the 83rd Redwood Region Logging Conference will kick off on Thursday, March 17th at the Redwood Acres Fairgrounds in Eureka. This annual event will continue many of the traditional activities of the Conference by providing a program open to the community at no charge. The Conference has on-going interactive presentations and a number of educational activities focused on the local schools and the community.

Pre-Events

- Wednesday March 16th, 2022

After a busy and hopefully sunny day of set up, the Conference Board will host the vendor appreciation dinner for the many vendors that contribute every year to our successful conferences. This relaxed gathering results from the conference Board's wish to show their appreciation for the efforts of the many vendors who provide the show's foundations.

Day 1 - Thursday, March 17th, 2022

The color of the day will be safety yellow as long lines of school buses drop off the 1200 high energy elementary school students to begin a guided tour of the Conference. Teachers pre-register their classes for the day-long events which include stops at Historical Displays and presentations by Timber Industry professionals that span a range of topics from



woodland biology to fisheries to responsible land management. The Resource Professionals act as "Tour Guides" directing groups of approximately 20 students through a day of learning and fun. The students will come face to face with the creatures of "Wild Things," as the wildlife rehabilitation center keeps the audience in suspense waiting to see what creature will emerge next in the presentation -- will it be an Eagle, a Mountain Lion, or perhaps a young Elk? As the students circle the grounds, they will notice

something different as new strange forms begin to emerge from the efforts of the chain saw carvers who come from across the United States to demonstrate their skill with saw and grinder.

The Humboldt State University Logging Sports team as well as teams from other Western Universities will be providing demonstrations of the various logging sports events to crowds of students, complete with appropriate cheering sections for each of the competitors.

Lunch time finds the students gathered in the Fairgrounds grandstands awaiting announcement of mural awards. The murals, working off the Conference theme of "The Timber Industry- An Essential Industry" are amazing collages of concept, natural materials and imagination. The students continue on their quest in the afternoon making friends and gaining an understanding of their local timber industry. As the last yellow bus rolls off, there is no doubt that a new understanding has been opened, and new friendships have been made.

The bigger boys and girls can begin the day at the Baywood County Club at the annual Golf Tournament. The tournament provides a showcase for both golf skills and story telling by individuals and teams seeking to gain this year's bragging rights. The tournament begins at 10:00 with a catered lunch around noon at the club, so count those calories

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This support comes in many forms including scholarships, support for teachers attending the Forestry Institute for Teachers, and the efforts of an army of Resource Professionals ready and willing to engage local classes on every aspect of contemporary forest management.

The partnerships that support these programs are provided by the funding raised at each year's Conference combined with donations from the industry and grants from a wide range of groups in our local communities. Providing Educational opportunities for local students about our natural resources is the primary goal of the Redwood Region Logging Conference.

The annual mural contest provides a framework for amazingly innovative and highly detailed efforts of local students who interpret the annual conference

theme with ingenuity and clever use of natural materials to produce a 3'x3' mural poster. The results are judged by Conference members who have come to understand that this selection and judging process is one of the most difficult things they will ever do. Selection as a winner in any of the class level

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2022 RRLC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Awarded to Mike Mitchell of Redwood Coast Trucking

Mike Mitchell, the 2022 Redwood Region Logging Conference designee, says the formula for his long-term success is simple, "Do things the right way, and treat people fairly". After a 43-year career in the Trucking Industry, Mike says that the business is still his favorite thing to do, and retirement is still a way down the road. "The variety of the business and the relationships with the people are what I love". You can tell he means what he says simply by seeing the metallic green #24 waiting by the yard gate, his personal truck, ready for the occasional foray away from the office.

Born in Vallejo, Mike's Family moved to Redway in the mid 1960's with a relocation to McKinleyville in 1968 with his father Jay going to work for Redwood Construction driving a logging truck. Mike attended local schools graduating from McKinleyville High School and marrying his "high school sweetheart" Karen in 1982. Mike's father had partnered with Frank Blagan in 1981 to form Redwood Coast Trucking buying out Chris Nichols of Redwood Construction in the process.

Mike had been working around the shop beginning when he was 13, and 1980 found him with his class "A" license driving produce for Food Mart stores, one of Redwood Construction's contract customers. Mike began to move toward the management side of the business, dispatching and helping in the office. By 1987 the company was expanding by establishing an operation in Ukiah which remained in operation until the early 1990's. Mike continued to work with Jay until his retirement in 2006 when Mike and Karen bought the Company.

Redwood Coast has focused on providing Logging and Lumber trucking services that have focused on the Schmidbauer Group, Schmidbauer,

North Fork, and Trinity River Lumber and Green Diamond Resource Company. "We do work on occasion for some of the smaller operations, but we have developed great relationships with our primary clients, and we focus of doing a good job for them". The Company currently runs 47 trucks "when we can find the drivers" and tries to service the Northern California region exclusively since Mike wants to allow his employees to be home each night.

At 59 he says he still looks forward to "almost all" the days at work and observes that he is now a "people manager" rather than a manager of a fleet of trucks. The operational management of the Company is being transferred to his son Greg who manages the shop and an increasing portion of the day-to-day operations. Mike works under the oversight of his wife and business partner Karen who he says "tempers" some of his "direct manner and no bullshit" perspective.

Mike has lived through the wild ups and downs of the local timber industry, with the economic roller coasters and environmental "timbers wars", "hopefully largely in the rearview mirror." "We have built a solid operation with good service and value to our customers and try to treat people fairly". Redwood Coast has the advantage of being sized such that it is better situated to withstand the volatile demands of the current times. "I feel sorry for the single owner operators, we have the ability to stock large quantities of parts and supplies, and the unavailability of a part doesn't knock us down as much as the little guys".

At this point Mike still works basically a full schedule, with occasional absences to serve as "Karen's Driver" with a trailer in tow as they pursue her interest in equestrian hobbies through-



out the West. With the company now in the 3rd generation Mike points out that his daughter Michele has three sons and Greg has one son so the possibility exists for a fourth generation of Mitchell management of the company, "Only time will tell".

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Shining Star Award Winner Carolyn Luster

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Born into the Clark cattle ranching family in Petrolia, Carolyn spent the first five years in the rural community before moving North to Oregon where her family operated a series of cattle ranches near Crane, Oregon with her father, Paul, branching out with a portable sawmill producing lumber for neighboring ranchers.

After high school, Carolyn attended the College of Idaho, majoring in Business Administration and Psychology with graduation coming in 1996. Carolyn returned to Humboldt County and began working in a financial management firm when she discovered her future husband, Daron Luster, sitting on the tailgate of a pickup at the Fortuna Rodeo. They were married in 1998 and soon the family included three children, Lindsay, Bretan, and Kacey. After a short period of being a stay-at-home mom, Carolyn went to work

at Simpson Timber Company working in the Human Resources and Safety department at their facility in Korbel. Carolyn was promoted to the Human Resources ‘Manager position for the companies’ California Redwood Company operations in 2011 and worked in this capacity until the restructuring of California Redwood Company in 2014.

In 2017 Carolyn joined Green Diamond Resource Company as the head of HR and Safety for the California and Southern Oregon operations, overseeing approximately 250 employees. Her responsibilities include recruitment, training, and safety training with a special emphasis on community outreach.

If you were to ask her about her favorite aspect of her position, she will respond immediately that she “Just loves to help bring people up” with development of new skills and abilities. She is equally energized when talking about community outreach efforts to local schools and Universities in the Company’s efforts to introduce new generations to the opportunities that exist in the Timber Industry.

In her role as Safety Manager, she is especially interested in the ability of new technology to improve the safety of woods operations and “help people live a better vocational life”. She has hopes



that the conversion of HSU into Cal Poly Humboldt will provide the opportunity for new relationships between the industry and university, resulting in modern efficient forest management that can take advantage of the abilities of both parties.

On the community relations front she says she is proud of the new “Opportunity internships” that seek to bring under-represented segments of the population into the timber industry, and work with the ongoing Scholarship programs in the development of the next generation of industry leadership.

On a personal level, she views transi-

tion of her family as her children begin to chart their own courses, as an opportunity for she and Daron to increase their community involvement, and “Give back to the community that has given us so much”. Asked about her future plans she pauses and responds, “I will always be in an area to be able to help the development of the personnel, that is my passion”.

So, join us in raising a glass as we salute Carolyn Luster, a woman of enthusiasm, energy, and passion for her community and its residents.

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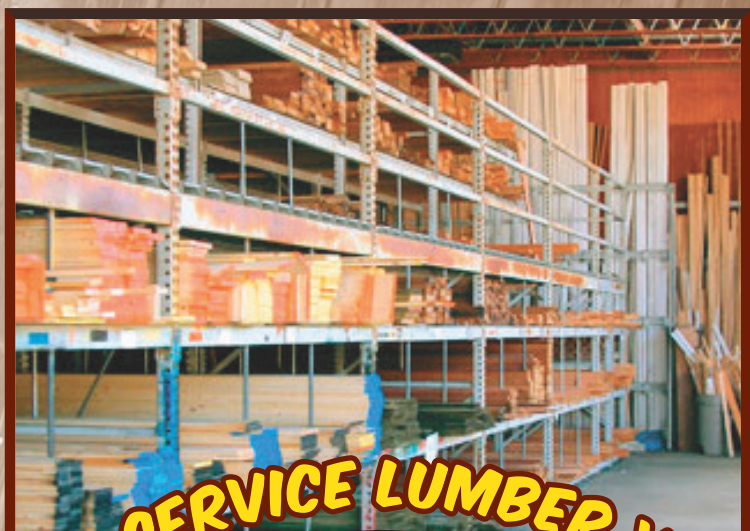
To those who have lived on the North Coast, the sound is unmistakable, the high pitched whine that drops in speed and tone as the saw bites into the wood, in most cases signaling that a logging operation is nearby, but for three days in the spring the sound means that the Chain Saw carvers are at work at the Logging Conference.

The carvers are a unique lot, a combination of artist, free spirit, and driven workers, creating forms recognizable and whimsical from large chunks of the Redwood that dominates the local timberlands. Their creations result from the skill that has been developed with a saw and a grinder, but also from an ability to take a relatively shapeless chunk of wood and turn it into a vision that few can accomplish, but many can admire.

Each year the Conference sponsors the work of an ever changing group of artists who spend the days of the conference covered in sawdust and chips. This year, Mark Culp of Lakeport will lead a group comprised of Jacob Lucas of Bonney Lake, Washington, Ryan Anderson from Reedsport Oregon, and Jason Stoner who will come all the way from Pennsylvania to cut and grind, file and sear, and present a wide array of sculpture that emerge in a short matter

of days from the blocks of Redwood that greet them when they arrive. The carvers will begin the carving process on Wednesday this year to allow more sophistication in their creations.

So while you are at the conference turn your ear to the sounds of the saws and watch the carvers create amazing sculptures right before your eyes.



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THURSDAY, March 17, 2022

- 9:00 AM Exhibits Open, Fairgrounds
- 9:00 AM Education Day, Fairgrounds
- 9:00 AM Golf Tournament, Baywood Golf & Country Club
- 9:30 AM Pro Logger Risk Management, Red Lion
- Noon Ed Day Lunch and Mural Awards, Grandstands Fairgrounds
- 1 – 5:00 PM Pro Logger First Aid/CPR and Risk Management, Red Lion
- 5:00 PM Exhibits Close
- 5:30 PM Thursday Evening BBQ, Beer & Wine Tasting Gala,
& Chainsaw Carving Auction
Claudia Lima Art Exhibition and more, Home Ec. Building, Fairgrounds

FRIDAY, March 18, 2022

- 8:30 AM Gin Fizz Breakfast, Home Ec. Building, Fairgrounds
- 9:00 AM Exhibits Open, Fairgrounds
- 11:00 AM Pro Logger Class: "Underwriters and Lawyers"
Presenter: Don Milani, Fairgrounds
- 11:00 AM Lumberjack & Jill Show, Lumberjack Area, Fairgrounds
- Noon Wild Things Inc., Wildlife Show Area, Fairgrounds
- Noon High School Forestry Contest, Under Grandstands & Various Outdoor
Locations, Fairgrounds
- 12:30 PM Career Day for High School Sophomore, Junior and Seniors, Under
Grandstands Fairgrounds
- 12:30 PM Pro Logger Class: "Forest Regulations and Legislative Update"
Presenter: Gary Rynearson
- 1:00 PM Lumberjack & Jill Show, Lumberjack Area, Fairgrounds
- 1:30 PM Pro Logger Class: "C.H.P. Update for 2022 New Regulations" Presenter:
Steve Joiner, Fairgrounds

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- 2:00 PM Wild Things Inc., Wildlife Show Area, Fairgrounds
- 2:30 PM Pro Logger Class: Coordinating the Evacuation of an Injured Worker via Medical Helicopter," Fairgrounds
- 3:00 PM Lumberjack and Jill Show, Lumberjack Area, Fairgrounds
- 4:00 PM Wild Things Inc., Wildlife Show Area, Fairgrounds
- 5:00 PM Exhibits Close
- 6:00 PM Timberman's Banquet/Auction Sawdust Bowl Social @ Arcata Community Center

SATURDAY, March 19, 2022

- 9:00 AM Exhibits Open, Fairgrounds
- 11:00 AM Wild Things Inc., Wildlife Show Area, Fairgrounds
- 11:00 AM Sawmill Exhibition, Outdoor Exhibit Space, Fairgrounds
- 11:30 AM Ladies Luncheon, Old Growth Cellars, Eureka
- NOON "LOG LOADER COMPETITION" Fairgrounds
- NOON Lumberjack & Jill Show, Lumberjack Area, Fairgrounds
- 1:30 PM Wild Things Inc., Wildlife Show Area, Fairgrounds
- 2:00 PM Lumberjack & Jill Show, Lumberjack Area, Fairgrounds
- 2:30 PM RRLC Past Presidents Axe Throw, Lumberjack Show Arena, Fairgrounds
- 4:00 PM Drawing for the TWO GUN & GET AWAY RAFFLE, Vendor Building, Fairgrounds
- 4:30 PM Conference Closes

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Conference Partners to Present Historic Equipment Exhibits

A series of long-time partnerships will be on display once again at the 83rd Conference as the Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association, and the Roots of Motive Power will again present a wide range of historic logging and transportation equipment at the Conference. These groups have been a part of the

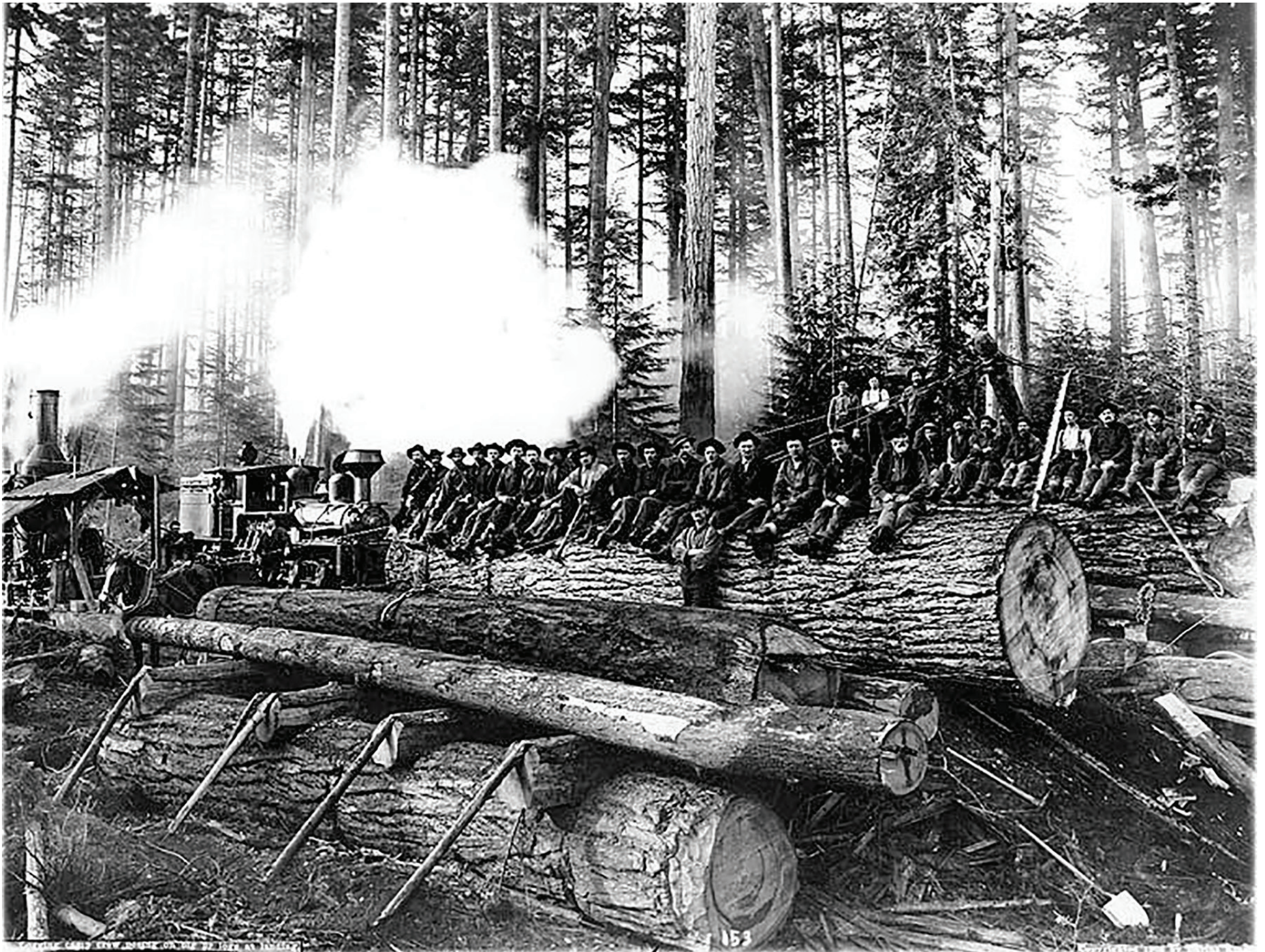
conference for many years, and we are proud of the fact that we can partner with them to help remind the community of its history and heritage through their living, breathing, and restorations of equipment large and small.

Based in Willits, the Roots of Motive Power is a 400-member volunteer

organization focused on the preservation of early steam and diesel-powered logging and transportation equipment. The group hosts a variety of work and display events showcasing the restored equipment at their "working museum" site at 400 E Commercial Street in Willits. Information about the organization

can be found at www.rootsofmotivepower.com.

The North Coast chapter of the Early Days Gas Engine & Tractor Association (www.edgta.org) will also display a wide range of antique power units and smaller scale equipment. The group, with members from San Francisco to the





Oregon border, focuses on "collecting, preserving, and exhibiting engines, tractors, power driven machinery, and other equipment of historical value." Chapter member Dick Shone notes that the public often asks if displays are for sale, and he smiles and replies that members never sell anything, they only buy more.

"I'll never sell any of it but I guess my kids will have to," he only half jokes. So, when you hear that distant steam whistle or the pop-pop of a hit and miss engine take a trip back in time and place and imagine a day with the pioneers of the logging industry and their amazing equipment.

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If you or your logging employees need some continuing education credit The Conference will be offering a variety of "Pro Logger" classes to tune up your skills and knowledge. These ACL sponsored classes help the industry professionals stay up to date on new practices and regulatory requirements. See the RRLC website or check in with the registration desk for enrollment and details.

Evening finds the Conference goes telling tales and enjoying the Beer and Wine Gala at the Home Economics Building on the Fairgrounds. Cook's BBQ will be providing their legendary Tri Tips and Humboldt Bay Oysters from Coast Seafoods as the main course to the evening BBQ. A variety of local Beer and Wine Producers will be on hand to fill your complimentary glass with your favorite nectar of the gods.

Day 2 – Friday, March 18th, 2022

The 8:00 AM Gin Fizz and Moose Milk Breakfast will kick off the business portion of the Conference with 2022 President, Joel Rink, providing initial comments. The program will also include the 2022 Scholarship awards program with the presentation of the Ron Adams Scholarships, Emanuel Fritz Scholarships, and Kent Holmgren Scholarships, and presentation of the Jere Melo Memorial Scholarship.

The Conference is proud to once again feature the "Wild Things" interactive wild life shows featuring a stunning array of creatures from their rehabilitative center in Central California. Gabe and company are amazing presenters and never cease to amaze their audiences with the wonder of the wildlife both large and small that inhabit our forestlands. Their first public performance will be at 12:00 in the judging arena followed by a second show at 2:00 PM and the last of the day at 4:00 PM.

At 12:30 PM the focus returns to education as Career Day kicks off opportunities for local High School students to learn about the diverse career opportunities in the local Timber Industry through panel presentations and an opportunity for one-on-one discussions with a wide range of industry professionals. This program has proven both popular and worthwhile over the past years as it introduces students to the growing range of careers that comprise today's forest products industry.



Blue and Gold jackets will fan out across the corners of the Fairgrounds as teams of California High School Students locked in the High School Forestry Competition begin the intense three-hour contest. This intense skills competition includes a variety of surveying and equipment tests as well as species identification of a wide range of woodland plants.

We are proud to once again partner with the Humboldt State University Logging Sports Team in providing Logging Sports Shows at 11:00, 1:00 and 3:00. Team members and participants from

other Western University logging sports teams will provide demonstrations of Axe cutting, hand and power saw bucking and burling in the special pond created for the event.

The Conference will be presenting its Timberman's Banquet on Friday Evening at the Arcata Community Center. The Social Hour begins at 6:00PM with the formal proceedings beginning at 7:00PM with the presentation of the Shining Star Award to Carolyn Luster of Green Diamond Resource Company. Rex Bohn will continue as the auctioneer for the

live auction and MC for the Loggers Raffle with a wide range of items including the complex wood carvings from our four featured carvers. The new format provides opportunities for those on any budget, and the raffle prizes range from simple to over the top. Both elements provide funding for the Conference Education program, so get those bidding cards and raffle tickets and we wish you the best of luck.

Day 3 – Saturday, March 19th, 2022

Recovering at least hopefully, from the Friday night Banquet, we start Saturday's events with the Conference opening at 9:00. The small Sawmill exhibitors will be doing their best to finish up the milling of the Conference lumber and slab units, and the Historical displays will be in full operation as the members of the North Coast Community make an outing day at the Conference. The wildlife shows will be presented at 11:00 and 1:30, and are always a hit with the Conference attendees both young and old.

The skills of the industry professional will be on display at the Log Loader Competition. Participants must be currently employed in the industry and preregister at the conference office.

The RRLC will be presenting a show and shine of heavily outfitted and





modified trucks that will be available for viewing throughout the show.

The HSU Timber Sports Team will present demonstrations at noon and 2:00. The ego deflating Past Presidents Axe throw will key up at 3:00 PM at the Logging Sports Pavilion.

Three individuals will have a great day as a result of hearing their names drawn in the "Conference Gun raffle", the cul-

mination of the ongoing sales of raffle tickets by the Conference directors. The drawing will take place at 4:00PM in the main exhibit hall. The conference will close its doors at 4:30 with smiles and handshakes all around as we depart to return to the real world, looking forward to once again meeting our friends new and old at the 2023 Conference in Ukiah next Spring.

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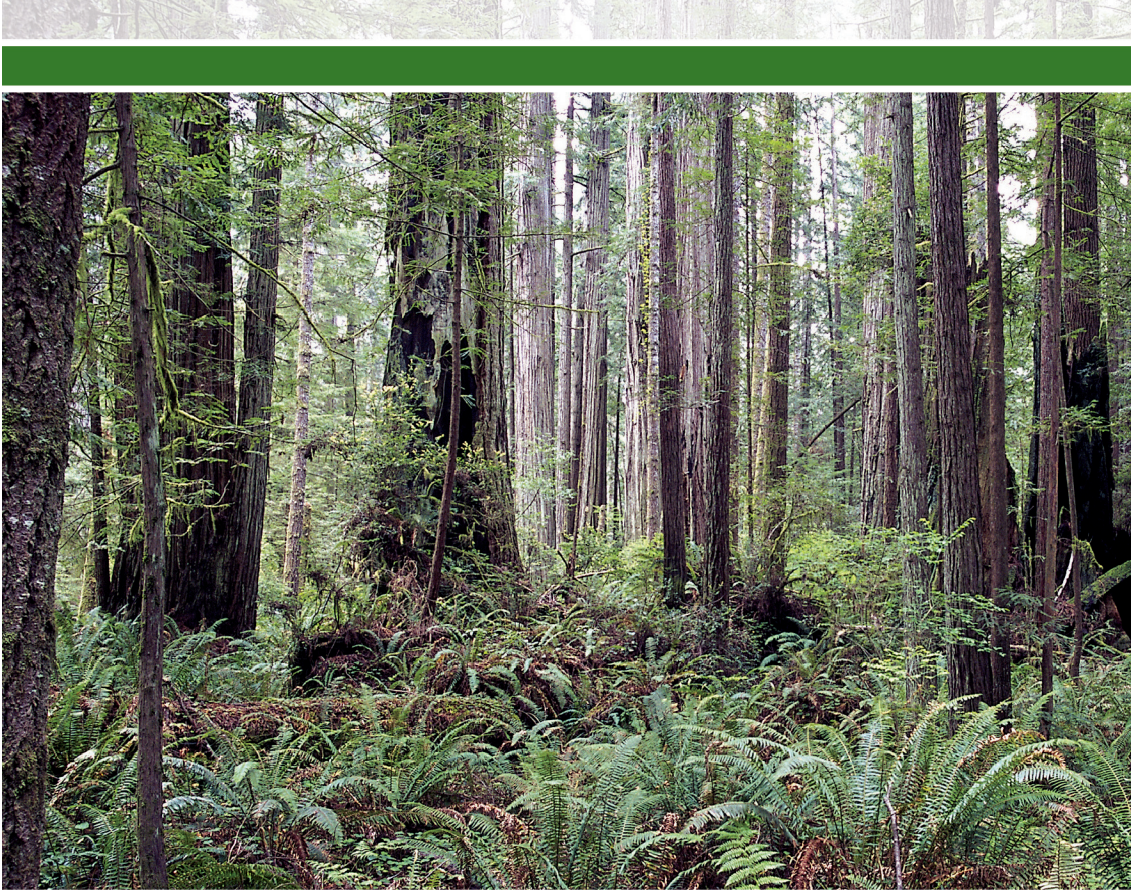
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categories results in a cash award to the winning classroom.

The Conference also underwrites the busing costs of bringing over 1200 local students to the Thursday “Education Day” program. Resource professionals don vests and hats and become the timber industry ambassadors and guides

during a day long program that introduces the students to a wide range of current forest practices topics.

The efforts of the members and volunteers of the Conference are focused on presenting a realistic and human look at the industry. The results of these conversations are a universally better un-

derstanding of the work we do, but even more importantly, the beginning of new relationships and friendships that will blossom and improve the communities in which we live.

In support of encouraging High School students to consider a career in the industry the Conference partnered with

a local FFA program to create the first Redwood Region Resource Rally at the Humboldt Redwood Company Scotia site in September of 2016. The event brought 185 Students and Instructors for a day of presentations on the various career opportunities that exist today within the industry. This highly rated program con-

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tinued even during the pandemic and looks forward to this year's September event.

The Conference Scholarship Program continues to provide continuing scholarships of up to \$2000.00 to Forestry students from Humboldt State University, University of California Berkley, or Cal Poly. The screening committee goes on an extended road trip to evaluate the candidates, and the team comes back constantly impressed with the skills of the students.

We've also come to understand the need to educate ourselves, both as a result of the changing nature of the Forest Products Industry, the rapid

advances in technology that seem to come at an ever increasing pace, and new pressures from a tougher economy. This education can come in the form of formal presentations, but just as often comes from the wealth of knowledge within our vendor group who spend the conference presenting the newest and best ways of dealing with the myriad issues in the industry, be it Environmental Protection, Biology, Industrial Production, or Transportation. You will find the best and the brightest at our conference, so feel free to come and talk to the experts. Education- it's what we do.

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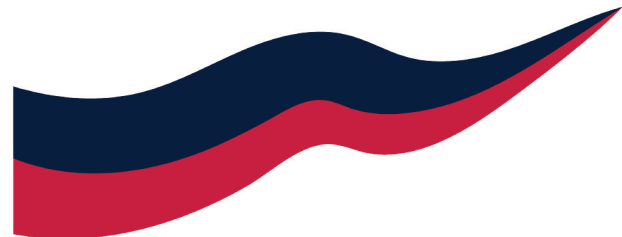


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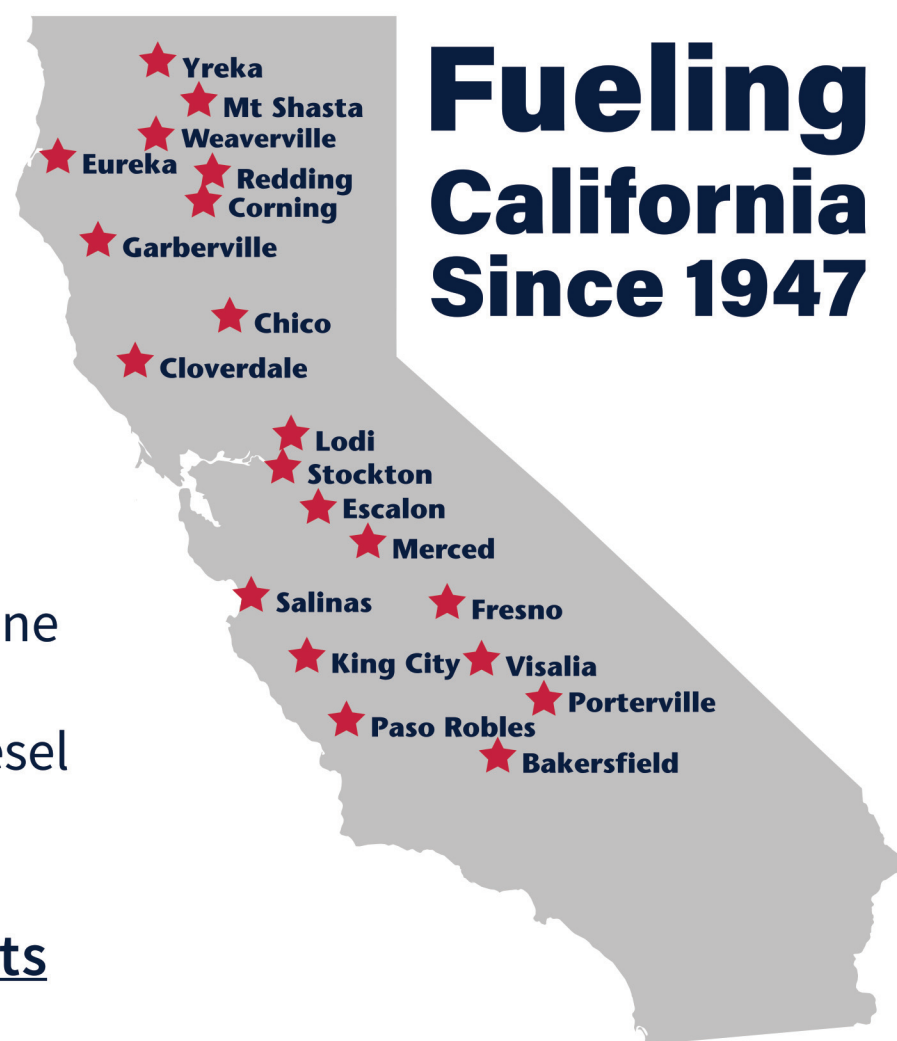
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